

# BERLIN

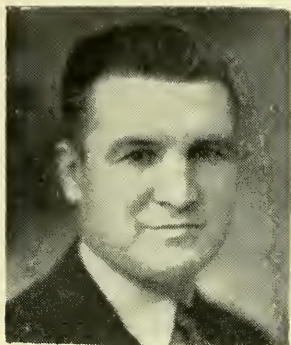
NEW HAMPSHIRE



MUNICIPAL ACTIVITIES

JANUARY 31, 1956





## Report of Mayor

To the Citizens of Berlin:

In this annual City Report, your elected officials and appointed city executives render an account of their stewardship during the past fiscal year. I commend to each one of you the careful reading and evaluation of this report, which shows you what services your city provides for you, and the cost of these services. An informed and alert electorate is an essential element of efficient democratic government.

In my capacity as Mayor, it has been my privilege to observe, over a period of years, the effects of a sound policy of government, which can be stated simply as "the utmost in service for the price we are able to pay." There is a definite limit to the amount a home-owner and a business man can pay in taxes. Within this limit, we have to provide for all essential services, and do as much new work as the remaining funds will allow. Let me review with you the results of the past two years.

The cost of essential services is still rising. Our county tax, due to a revision in the basis of assessment, was increased by \$29,000 in 1955. A general wage increase for all city employees, in line with industrial increases, has affected departmental budgets all along the line. The school budget, for instance, was increased by \$18,000 last year. The wage increase went into effect last September, thus affecting only five months of 1955, but 1956 will reflect it for the full year.

Last year, we did about twice the usual amount of street re-surfacing. With increasing emphasis on snow removal, it is not generally realized that in addition to the cost of removing the snow, we have greater damage to our streets. The cushioning effect of the snow is lost, and with the ever-increasing heavy trucking on our streets, Winter damage can be severe.

## REPORT OF MAYOR

Our moderate tax rate has encouraged home ownership and the building of new homes for our increasing population. During the past two years we have welcomed some 200 new members to the roster of property tax payers, but since most of the new construction has been in new developments, it becomes necessary for the city to provide them with more than words of welcome. They need new streets, new sewers, new water connections. During that period, we installed about 16,000 feet of new sewers, and built about 3,800 running feet of new sidewalks.

Our Airport, which I believe will become an increasingly important asset to the city, was reconditioned at a cost of \$25,000, of which the Federal and State governments paid three-fourths.

In doing all this, we have been able to maintain the tax rate at \$47, and in the two years we have reduced the bonded debt by \$95,000 and the net city debt by \$38,000. The bonded debt is now down to \$173,000, a very moderate amount for a city of this size. As we reduce the debt, we also correspondingly reduce the interest charges included in our budget each year.

May I express here my sincere appreciation to all the members of our city government, whose co-operation made possible the steady progress of the past two years.

Respectfully submitted,

AIME TONDREAU,

Mayor



BEARD GROWING FOR CHARITY BY CITY OFFICIALS (see next page)

A recent Community Club drive saw Berlin citizens growing beards in an effort to raise additional money for the local youth center. Among the more than 100 members of "Shaveless, Inc." were the following city officials, pictured on previous page: Front row, left to right, Maurice Belanger, overseer of the poor; John Sullivan, councilman; Mayor Aime Tondreau; Ronaldo Morin, councilman; and Robert Murphy, school board. Standing, Arthur Thomas, councilman; James Cryans, city clerk and Charles Jeskey, councilman.

1956

FIFTY-NINTH  
**ANNUAL REPORT**  
OF THE  
RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES  
AND MUNICIPAL ACTIVITIES  
OF THE  
**CITY OF BERLIN, N. H.**

FOR THE YEAR ENDING  
JANUARY 31, 1956

TOGETHER WITH OTHER ANNUAL REPORTS  
AND PAPERS RELATING TO THE AFFAIRS  
OF THE CITY



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# Historical Events

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Berlin granted by the English Crown to Sir Henry Maynes,  
December 31, 1771, and named "Maynesboro."

First settlement 1821-22.

First house erected 1825 by William Sessions and Cyrus Wheeler.

Name changed from "Maynesboro" to Berlin by legislative enactment in 1829. Approved July 1, 1829.

First Town Meeting September 21, 1829.

Fifteen voters on list. Population, 72.

Population in 1861—450.

Population in 1880—1,142.

First Town Report, 1821, written with pen.

City Charter granted by Legislature, January 1897.

Adopted February 20, 1897.

City Government organized March 29, 1897.

Corner Stone New City Hall laid November 16, 1913.

Dedication New City Hall November 24, 1914.

# Mayors of the City of Berlin

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Hon. Henry F. Marston.....	1897-1899
Hon. John B. Noyes.....	1899-1900
Hon. Frank L. Wilson.....	1900-1901
Hon. Fred M. Clement.....	1901-1902
Hon. John B. Gilbert.....	1902-1905
Hon. George E. Hutchins.....	1905-1908
Hon. Fremont D. Bartlett.....	1908-1910
Hon. Daniel J. Daley.....	1910-1915
Hon. George F. Rich.....	1915-1919
Hon. Eli J. King.....	1919-1924
Hon. J. A. Vaillancourt.....	1924-1926
Hon. Eli J. King.....	1926-1928
Hon. Edward R. B. McGee.....	1928-1931
Hon. W. E. Corbin.....	1931-1932
Hon. O. J. Coulombe.....	1932-1934
Hon. Daniel J. Feindel.....	1934-1935
Hon. Arthur J. Bergeron.....	1935-1938
Hon. Matthew J. Ryan.....	1938-1939
Hon. Aime Tondreau .....	1939-1943
Hon. Carl E. Morin.....	1943-1946
Hon. George A. Bell.....	1946-1947
Hon. Paul A. Toussaint.....	1947-1950
Hon. Aime Tondreau .....	1950-1954
Hon. Aime Tondreau .....	1954-1956

# CITY GOVERNMENT

BERLIN, N. H., 1955-56

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## EXECUTIVE GOVERNMENT

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### MAYOR

AIME TONDREAU

Elected biennially in March by the people. Salary \$3,000 per year.

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### CITY COUNCIL

Councilmen elected by the voters of each ward. Salary \$12.00 for actual attendance at regular, special and adjourned meetings.

Not to exceed \$500.00 annually.

**Ward 1**—GUY J. FORTIER—term expires March 1956

CHARLES JESKEY—term expires March 1956

ROLAND LESSARD—term expires March 1958

**Ward 2**—MICHAEL I. MURPHY—term expires March 1956

LEO PARENT, JR.—term expires March 1956

JOHN S. SULLIVAN—term expires March 1958

**Ward 3**—ARTHUR L. THOMAS—term expires March 1956

LAWRENCE MOREL—term expires March 1956

DENNIS J. KILBRIDE—term expires March 1958

**Ward 4**—RICHARD J. CAMPAGNA—term expires March 1956

RONALDO MORIN—term expires March 1956

EUGENE ROUSSEAU—term expires March 1958

**STANDING COMMITTEES 1955-1956**

**Finance:** MAYOR, Fortier, Thomas, Murphy.  
**Public Works:** MURPHY, Campagna, Morel, Fortier.  
**Relief:** SULLIVAN, Thomas, Lessard, Morin.  
**Accounts and Claims:** MORIN, Lessard, Parent.  
**Salaries:** JESKEY, Fortier, Kilbride, Sullivan.  
**Fire Department:** KILBRIDE, Jeskey, Sullivan, Campagna.  
**Public Buildings:** PARENT, Morel, Lessard, Morin.  
**Engrossed Ordinances:** MOREL, Parent, Murphy, Rousseau.  
**Election Returns:** MORIN, Thomas, Lessard, Rousseau.  
**Public Health:** THOMAS, Parent, Kilbride, Jeskey.  
**Electric Lights:** FORTIER, Jeskey, Morin, Kilbride.  
**Airport:** ROUSSEAU, Campagna, Sullivan, Murphy.  
**Parking Meters:** LESSARD, Morel, Rousseau, Kilbride.  
**Ways and Means:** CAMPAGNA, Thomas, Murphy, Sullivan.

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**CITY CLERK**

GASTON A. COURNOYER\*

Elected annually by the City Council. Also Clerk of City Council.  
Office in the City Hall.

\*Deceased            JAMES E. CRYANS elected  
Salary \$3,791.00 per year and fees.

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**DEPUTY CITY CLERK**

MARY E. MORGAN

Salary \$3,531.00 per year.

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**CITY TREASURER**

LOUIS DELORGE, JR.

Salary \$500.00 per year.

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**CITY AUDITOR**

LEO J. CAMPAGNA

Conway, New Hampshire

Appointed annually by the Mayor and confirmed by the Council.

**CITY ENGINEER—STREET AND SEWER COMMISSIONER**

P. L. MURPHY\*

Appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Council.

Office, City Hall. Salary \$5,666.00 per year.

\*Resigned CLARENCE BRUNGOT appointed

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**INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS**

JEAN RAMSEY

Appointed annually by the Mayor and confirmed by the Council.

Office, City Hall

Salary \$360.00 per year.

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**SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES**

EMILE J. PARENT

Appointed annually by the Mayor and confirmed by the Council.

Residence, 294 Burgess Street. Salary \$300.00 per year and  $\frac{1}{4}$  fees.

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**COLLECTOR OF TAXES**

JAMES E. CRYANS\*

Appointed annually by the Mayor and confirmed by the Council.

\*Resigned LAURIER ROUSSEAU appointed

Salary \$4,178.00 per year.

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**CITY SOLICITOR**

ARTHUR J. BERGERON

Appointed annually by the Mayor and confirmed by the Council.

Salary \$1,000.00 per year.

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**BOARD OF ASSESSORS**

GEORGE A. BELL, Chairman

OTIS BARTLETT

FRED G. HAYES

One appointed annually by the Mayor and confirmed by the Council for a term of three years. Meet assessors' rooms

second Tuesday of each month. Salary, chairman,

\$800.00 per year, members \$700.00 per year.

**OVERSEER OF THE POOR**

MAURICE BELANGER

Appointed annually by the Mayor and confirmed by the Council.

Salary \$4,181.00 per year.

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**BOARD OF HEALTH**

AMEDEE ROUTHIER, term expires April 1956

MRS. FREDERICK WALKER, term expires April 1957

EDWARD M. DANAIS, M. D., term expires April 1958

**Health Officer and Milk Inspector**

EDWARD MONTMINY—Salary \$4,181.00 per year.

**Official Staff**

CORINNE GREGOIRE, R. N., Parochial School Nurse

ANITA DRAPEAU, R. N., Parochial School Nurse

JEANNETTE DALE, R. N., District Nurse\*

LUCILLE RHEAUME, R. N., District Nurse

JEANNETTE COTE, Clerk-Stenographer

Office and Laboratories, City Hall

\*Resigned

OLIVE BERTRAND appointed

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**Clinic Physician 1955-56**

LOUIS ROZEK, M. D.

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**POLICE DEPARTMENT****POLICE COMMISSIONERS**

WILLIAM METZE

LEON T. DUBEY

MAURICE VAILLANCOURT

One commissioner appointed annually by the Governor to serve  
for three years. Salary, Chairman \$150.00 per year.

Other members, \$100.00 per year.

**CITY MARSHAL**

HERMAN OLESON

Salary \$4,792.00 per year.

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**ASSISTANT CITY MARSHALS**

ALFRED LANDRY

FRED SILTS

Salary \$4,168.00 per year.

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**JUSTICE**

J. LOUIS BLAIS

Appointed by the Governor and Council.

Salary \$2,200.00 per year.

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**ASSOCIATE JUSTICE**

GEORGE H. KEOUGH

Salary \$600.00 per year.

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**CLERK OF COURT**

E. ARTHUR VALLIERES

Salary \$500.00 per year.

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**DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOLS**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION**

MARJORIE GILBERT

LOUIS RANCOURT, Chairman

ROBERT MURPHY

Elected for three years, one each year, by the City Council.  
Salary, Chairman, \$100.00 per year; other members \$50.00 per year.

## CITY OF BERLIN, N. H.

**SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

CALEB H. NILES

Salary, City's Share \$5,675.00 per year, State's Share \$2,500.00

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**HEADMASTER OF HIGH SCHOOL**

LAWRENCE W. DWYER

Salary \$6,000.00 per year.

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**PUBLIC LIBRARY****TRUSTEES**

C. S. MANTON

ALCIDE E. VALLIERE

FLORENCE HICKEY

Elected biennially in March, by the people. No salary.

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**LIBRARIAN**

LOTTIE KAILEY SHERIDAN

Salary \$3,176.00 per year.

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**ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN**

GERMAINE THOMPSON

Salary \$2,743.00 per year.

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**CHILDREN'S LIBRARIAN**

JULIA LAFFIN

Salary \$3,029.00 per year.



FIRE DEPARTMENT

**CHIEF ENGINEER**

O. B. BERGQUIST

Appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Council  
under tenure of office act.

Salary \$4,792.00 per year.

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**ASSISTANT ENGINEERS**

GEORGE FRECHETTE

RALPH PERRY

Salary \$4,168.00 per year.

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**CITY ELECTRICIAN**

LEO DUBOIS

Salary \$4,116.00 per year.

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**WARD OFFICERS**

Ward 1—LEONARD GIROUX

Ward 2—HARVEY ROBERGE

Ward 3—ARTHUR THOMAS

Ward 4—RENE J. ROUTHIER

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**WARD CLERKS**

Ward 1—SYLVIO CROTEAU

Ward 2—GERALD LESSARD

Ward 3—ONESIME BAILLARGEON

Ward 4—VICTOR DUTIL

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**SUPERVISORS OF CHECK LISTS**

Ward 1—ALCIDE VALLIERE

BERNARD COVIEO

FERNANDO PINETTE

## CITY OF BERLIN, N. H.

Ward 2—DONALD W. HAGGART  
HAROLD McPHERSON  
FORREST STEADY

Ward 3—EMANUEL CHRISTIANSEN  
JOSEPH A. CHAREST  
CHARLES L. PINETTE

Ward 4—ERNEST J. FONTAINE  
O. J. CAMPAGNA  
RONALDO L. MORIN\*

\*Resigned      WILFRED DEMERS appointed.

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**BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS**

EDWARD C. OLESON                      MRS. OLIVE THIBODEAU  
RICHARD ROBERGE

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**RECREATION DIRECTOR**

JAMES BARNETT  
Appointed by Commission. \$3,920.00 per year.

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**CEMETERY TRUSTEES**

J. MURRAY HAMILTON  
CHANNING EVANS                      MICHAEL IRWIN MURPHY

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**DOG CONSTABLE**

LAWRENCE MASSEY

# Report of Weights and Measures

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January 31, 1956

To His Honor, the Mayor, and City Council of the City of Berlin:

I herewith submit my report as Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year ending January 31, 1956.

## Scales:

Correct .....	175
Adjusted .....	72
Condemned for repair.....	4
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	251

## Avoirdupois Weights:

Correct .....	110
Adjusted .....	4
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	114

## Liquid Measures:

Correct .....	32
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## Automatic Gas Pumps:

Correct .....	43
Adjusted .....	33
Idle .....	4
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	80

## Grease Dispensers:

Correct .....	37
Condemned .....	3
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	40

## Kerosene Pumps:

Correct .....	2
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Tank Trucks taken care by State of New Hampshire.

## Package Reweighing :

Correct .....	1642
Over .....	4
Under .....	452
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## Coal Reweighing :

Over .....	1
Under .....	2
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	3

## Yard Sticks :

Correct .....	23
Warning .....	3
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	26

Our work is complete. The rest is in your hands. Watch your weights and measures.

Do not forget your Sealer is always at your service.

Respectfully submitted,  
 EMILE PARENT,  
 Sealer of Weights and Measures

# Report of Relief Department

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February 1, 1956

To His Honor, the Mayor, and Members of the City Council:

I herewith submit my report as Overseer of the Poor for the year ending January 31, 1956:

Appropriation allotted Relief Department.....	\$ 52,000.00
Refunds paid to the Department.....	2,770.21
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Total funds of the Department.....	\$ 54,770.21
Expenditures for the fiscal year.....	52,868.55
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Balance Left .....	\$ 1,901.66

## Spent for:

Old Age Assistance.....	\$ 14,769.92
Alien Old Age Assistance.....	3,832.00
Totally Disabled .....	2,486.25
Soldiers' Aid .....	3,523.22
Administration .....	11,522.84
Town Poor .....	16,734.32
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Total Expended .....	\$ 52,868.55

## Case Load

Cases aided during the year.....	196
Total Individuals .....	287
Cases Transferred to County.....	7
Cases Transferred from County.....	5
Decrease in cases during the year.....	17
Decrease in individuals during the year.....	40

I wish to thank His Honor, the Mayor, the members of the Relief Committee, and all other City Officials for their aid during the year.

Respectfully submitted,  
MAURICE A. BELANGER,  
Overseer of the Poor

# Report of Building Inspector

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February 1, 1956

Berlin, N. H.

To His Honor, the Mayor, the City Council of the City of Berlin.  
Gentlemen :

I herewith submit my report as Inspector of Buildings for the year ending January 31, 1956.

There were issued during the year, 249 permits with a total estimated value of \$685,550.00.

These permits divided as follows :

70 permits new homes .....	\$588,000.00
45 permits new homes, cost unknown.....	
25 permits additions .....	55,200.00
12 permits additions cost unknown.....	
31 permits repairs .....	33,350.00
24 permits repairs cost unknown .....	
15 permits one car garage.....	6,900.00
10 permits one car garage cost unknown.....	
5 permits two car garage.....	2,100.00
6 permits two car garage cost unknown.....	
1 permit three car garage.....	200.00
1 permit three car garage cost unknown.....	
1 permit four car garage.....	1,200.00
1 permit five car garage.....	2,300.00
1 permit five car garage cost unknown.....	
1 permit six car garage.....	1,000.00
10 permits neon sign .....	

Two major projects were started in 1955, these are the new wing at the St. Louis Hospital, at a cost of about \$550,000.00, also the new Kraft Pulp Bleachery, at the Brown Company at a cost of \$3,500,000.00.

Copies of all permits issued are on file at this office.

I wish to express my appreciation to the Mayor, City Council, City Officials, Building Contractors, and the Public for their cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

JEAN E. RAMSEY,

Inspector of Buildings

# Health Department

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## PERSONNEL OF THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT

### Members of the Board of Health

AMEDEE ROUTHIER

Term Expires April 1, 1956

MRS. KATHERINE D. WALKER

Term Expires April 1, 1957

EDOUARD M. DANAIS, M. D.

Term Expires April 1, 1958

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### OFFICIAL STAFF

EDWARD J. MONTMINY

Health Officer and Milk Inspector

LUCILLE F. RHEAUME, R. N.

District Nurse

JEANNETTE DALE, R. N.\*

District Nurse

OLIVE BERTRAND, R. N.

District Nurse

CORINNE M. GREGOIRE, R. N.

Parochial School Nurse

ANITA T. DRAPEAU, R. N.

Parochial School Nurse

JEANNETTE R. COTE

Clerk, Secretary

\* Resigned as of December 9, 1955.

## REPORT OF HEALTH OFFICER

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To His Honor, the Mayor, the City Council and the Members of the Board of Health:

I herewith have the honor and privilege to submit the city's forty-fifth annual report of the Health Department activities for the year ending December 31, 1955.

Permit me to acknowledge with sincere appreciation the unending support and cooperation received; and also the profound interest taken by you Mr. Mayor, members of the City Council, the Public Health Committee, and the members of the Board of Health.

I wish to acknowledge also the splendid cooperation received from the members of the medical and dental profession; the hospitals, official and un-official organizations and social agencies, school officials, the press, the radio, the public spirited citizens, and last but not least, the loyal staff.

### DEPARTMENTAL FUNCTIONS

#### I-Medical Service

1. **VENEREAL DISEASE.** The control of all such diseases can best be accomplished through the cooperation of all physicians and citizens of the City of Berlin. Information regarding all cases remains strictly confidential; such as required by state statute.
2. **TUBERCULOSIS.** The New Hampshire Tuberculosis Association, active in the fight against tuberculosis in this state, conducted 4 clinics in Berlin during the year. 3 cases of active tuberculosis were found in our community. They are currently receiving treatment.
3. **IMMUNIZATIONS.** For immunizations see section **D** under Administrative Functions.

NOTE: Biologicals are stored at the Health Department and are available, free of charge, to all physicians of this city.

#### 4. **NURSING SERVICE**

A. **District Nursing**—The City of Berlin is divided into two separate districts, namely District No. 1 and District No. 2.



We have 2 district nurses servicing the entire community. District Nurses assist the physicians at all Maternal and Child Health Clinics and all other immunization clinics sponsored by the Health Department.

**District 1 & 2 Child Hygiene Totals**

No. of patients.....	784	470	1254
No. of visits.....	2483	1073	3556

**B. Parochial School Nursing Service**—Two school nurses supervise and service 4 Parochial Schools, 2 High Schools and 1 Kindergarten; a total of 2680 students.

**C. Clinics**

**A. Baby Clinics**—These clinics are held weekly, on Thursday afternoons, at 1:30 p.m. at the Health Department. 50 clinics were held during the year with a total of 799 babies attending (ages 1 week to 1 year).

**B. Pre-School Clinics**—These clinics are held monthly on the first Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. at the Health Department. 11 clinics were held during 1955 with a total of 419 pre-school children attending (ages 1 year to school age).

**5. CHILD HYGIENE**—The importance of the work of a group of ladies known as "The BERLIN CHILD HYGIENE ASSOCIATION" can hardly be overestimated from the standpoint of child health in this city. These ladies give of their time and energy to help foster better health for our children. Both baby and pre-school clinics owe their existence to this voluntary organization which provides, in cooperation with the Berlin Health Department, medical supervision at the clinics for children from birth to school age.

It is with pleasure that we include herewith the financial statement of the Berlin Child Hygiene Association for the year ending December 31, 1955.

Clinic Physician's Salary	
(from January 1, 1955 to July 1, 1955).....\$	300.00
Physician's Services	
(Performed at the Hospital).....	23.00
St. Louis Hospital	
(X-Ray, etc.) .....	16.95

Baby and Pre-School clinic supplies (Baby blankets, Cod Liver Oil, Paper Bags, Vitamins and Other Miscellaneous Items)		43.64
Total Expenditures .....		\$ 383.59

**NOTE:** The above expenditures would have had to be paid by the Health Department appropriation had not the association undertaken the task of raising the funds to meet the amount shown. We wish to thank the Berlin Child Hygiene Association for their part in making the Baby and Pre-School Clinics possible.

**6. MENTAL HYGIENE—SPEECH THERAPY**—Clinics were held March 30, 31, June 1, September 27, 28 and November 21, 22 at the Bartlett School. These clinics are under the direction and supervision of the State Health Department. Attending physicians were: Dr. Anna L. Philbrook, Psychiatrist, and Dr. Ursula Sanders, Pediatrician.

## **7. CRIPPLED CHILDREN'S SERVICES**

**A. Orthopedic Treatment Center**—Held every 3rd Friday of each month at the Health Department. These clinics are under the direction of Miss Mary Bullock, physiotherapist, State of New Hampshire Health Department, assisted by the staff of the local Health Department.

**B. Orthopedic Clinic**—Held every three months at the St. Louis Hospital. Said clinics are under the direction of Dr. Ezra Jones, Orthopedic Specialist, State Health Department. Appointments to the clinic are made by the Berlin Health Department.

**8. DIABETIC DETECTION DRIVE**—During the week beginning November 14, 1955, this department conducted a diabetes detection drive. 72 samples of urine were tested and 9 were found to contain sugar. These people were notified to see their family physicians immediately.

**9. HAYFEVER CONTROL**—Fire apparatus of the City was used during the month of August to spray ragweed growing along our city streets. Approximately 5,000 gallons of liquid herbicide was used.

- 10. COMMUNICABLE DISEASE CONTROL**—Although many measures may be used for the control of communicable diseases, all of them may be classified under the headings:

1. Preventing spread of the disease.
2. Increasing the resistance of the new host.
3. Minimizing the ill effects of cases that have not been prevented.

Each of these measures is largely complementary to the other two; combination of them constitutes the usual control program and applied to any specific disease. However, prompt reporting is desirable and thus by eliminating the source of infection can the spread be curbed. Other measures of isolation and quarantine, as required by state statute, for infected persons, are followed whenever the need exists, (e. g. exclusion from school and the required issuance of re-admission certificates). Whenever necessary, laboratory methods are used to determine the necessary period of isolation.

- 11. SIGHT CONSERVATION**—Through the efforts and cooperation of all personnel concerned with, and responsible for, the children of Berlin, the State of New Hampshire Sight Conservation Program has continued to service the community. 46 individuals were assisted by this program in 1955.
- 12. DENTAL FLUORINE**—Complete dental fluorine treatments including examination, cleansing and 3 applications of Sodium fluoride were given to 296 children during the latter part of August and the first two weeks of September at a total cost to the City of \$176.40. Mrs. Marjorie Plaisted, Dental Hygienist of the State of New Hampshire Dental Division was in attendance. We are indebted to the State of New Hampshire Dental Division for the fine cooperation received during the year.

## II—INSPECTION AND CONTROL SERVICES

### 1. FOOD INSPECTION

- A. Milk, Cream, Ice Cream, Cheese Products.** Analysis of these dairy products requires constant impartial watchfulness. The bacteria counts of milk distributed in this city have been very good. Important also is the periodic inspection of farms and dairies. This department is indebted to Mr. Arthur Mayo, State Health Inspector for the Northern District, for the splendid cooperation received in all phases of Public Health in Berlin.

- B. **Restaurant Inspection.** The main problem under this heading concerns strict sanitation with particular attention to food served the restaurant patron. The persons partaking of foods dispensed include a large fraction of the total population of this city, and all of them depend on the ability of the dispenser plus whatever inspection service provided by the Health Department.

There are a total of 65 eating and drinking establishments in the City of Berlin. These establishments are inspected regularly.

- C. **Markets.** Businesses handling meat and meat products, fish and poultry must be held to high standards of sanitation. Exposure to flies, dust or other contamination, cleanliness of the premises and personnel, proper refrigeration and the like are required by state statute. There are 65 markets or confectionery stores within the limits of the City of Berlin.

## 2. SANITARY ENGINEERING

- A. **Water Supply.** City and private water supplies were bacteriologically and chemically analyzed periodically to insure clean and safe water for the community.
- B. **Sewage Disposal.** The greater part of the city's sewage is disposed of by means of sanitary sewer system, maintained by the Public Works Department. Several sewage outlets are still wide open and therefore offer excellent sources of infection with communicable diseases.
- C. **Rodent Control.** The department has available, for sale, various types of insecticides for the effective control of rodents.

3. **ABATEMENT OF NUISANCES.** Nuisances as such constitute a miscellaneous group of conditions usually called "complaints received." Insects, odors from garbage, sewage, animal pens, pollution of streams or shores, refuse collection, industrial complaints, objectionable vapors and gasses and excessive noise include the most frequent nuisances. The department received 37 such complaints, as listed above.

## III—ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTIONS

1. **STATISTICS.** The recording of births, deaths, and other vital statistics is of great importance in the field of Public Health.

Systems of handling and recording must be complete, comprehensive and accurate.

A. Births	Male	Female	Total
Live Births .....	312	269	581
Stillbirths .....	8	3	11
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	320	272	592

B. Deaths			
Resident .....	99	52	151
Non-Resident .....	8	10	18
Stillbirths .....	8	3	11
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	115	65	180

Residents (dying out of town).....	25	8	33
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C. Cause of death			
Infective and Parasitic Diseases.....	1	0	1
Neoplasms .....	14	12	26
Allergic, Endocrine System, Metabolic and Nutritional Diseases.....	1	4	5
Mental, Psychoneurotic & Personality Disorders .....	2	0	2
Diseases of the Nervous System and Sense Organs .....	9	3	12
Diseases of the Circulatory System.....	43	26	69
Diseases of the Respiratory System.....	6	6	12
Diseases of the Digestive System.....	6	2	8
Diseases of the Genito-Urinary System	1	0	1
Congenital Malformations .....	0	1	1
Certain Diseases of Early Infancy.....	4	2	6
Symptoms, Senility and Ill-Defined Conditions .....	12	3	15
Accidents, Poisonings and Violence.....	8	3	11

D. Immunizations	1955
Smallpox Vaccinations .....	247
D. T. P. (School injections, February, March, April)	
Series Completed .....	125
Boosters .....	68
D. T. P. (School injections November, December)	
No. of injections given.....	547
Boosters .....	79

Polio Vaccine, May, October 1955 (1st and 2nd).....	1424
All Berlin schools, Gorham, Milan, Cascade schools)	
Polio Vaccine, December 1955	
Includes Pre-school children.....	1192
Baby and Pre School Clinics (D. T. P.)	
Series Completed .....	121
Boosters .....	183
Smallpox Vaccinations .....	32

E. **Communicable Diseases.** The following cases of communicable diseases were **reported** to this department during 1955:

Chickenpox .....	247	Poliomyelitis .....	2
German Measles .....	1	Scarlet Fever .....	2
Infectious Hepatitis .....	1	Syphilis.....	2
Measles .....	29	Tuberculosis .....	3
Mumps .....	11	Whooping Cough .....	1

## 2. RECORDS (Other than statistics)

A. **Parochial Schools.** A complete and comprehensive record of the Parochial Schools is on file at the Health Department and is available upon request.

B. **Physical Examinations.** Physical examinations were given all first grade students in our schools at the beginning of the school year.

## C. Child Hygiene

### Infant Welfare

No. of babies under supervision .....	152
No. of babies in attendance to clinics.....	799
No. of babies examined by physician .....	578
No. of babies registered .....	188
No. of babies discharged .....	0
No. of babies transferred to pre-school.....	167
No. of deaths of supervised babies (over 1 wk. of age)	0
No. of deaths of unsupervised babies.....	0
No. of home visits .....	900
No. of babies seen .....	470

**Pre-School**

No. of pre-school under supervision.....	942
No. in attendance to clinics.....	419
No. examined by physician.....	397
No. of new patients.....	43
No. discharged .....	197
No. received from Infant Welfare Division.....	167
No. of deaths .....	1
No. of home visits.....	173

**Summary**

Total number of clinics for the year.....	61
Total number of children under supervision.....	1094
Total number of children found defective.....	89
Total number of defects corrected .....	23
Total number of home visits .....	1073

**Defects:** Total number found at the clinics  
(baby and pre-school)..... 89

**Corrections:** Total number made as a result of  
clinic findings .....

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**3. FEES RECEIVED**

A. **Milk Licenses.** We issued 65 store dealers', 7 producers' and 14 dealers' licenses. These must be renewed before June 1, 1956. Total amount received: \$154.00.

B. **Restaurant Licenses.** We issued 55 restaurant licenses of \$10.00 each, 10 restaurant licenses of \$5.00 each. These licenses must be renewed before June 1, 1956. Total amount received: \$600.00.

**4. FINANCIAL** (Record for fiscal year: February 1, 1955 to February 1, 1956)

Appropriation (1955 budget).....\$ 23,000.00

\*Credits: including District Nurse, Child  
Hygiene and other miscellaneous refunds 2,288.33

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**Total** ..... \$ 25,288.33

**EXPENDITURES**

Administrative (Office Supplies, Printing).....	\$ 449.55
Biologicals .....	509.26
Communicable Disease Control.....	24.00
Department Cars .....	773.09
Doctor's Services .....	1,110.45
Insecticides .....	21.70
Laboratory Equipment and Supplies.....	687.91
Laundry .....	68.33
Medical Supplies .....	547.71
Miscellaneous .....	647.99
Office Equipment .....	47.75
Salaries (Department Personnel).....	20,812.88
Salaries (Board of Health).....	150.00
Telephone .....	236.40
<b>Total Expenditures</b> .....	<b>\$ 26,087.02</b>
Overdraft .....	<b>\$ 798.69</b>

\*It must be noted that the financial statement shown above does not show, as credits, the amounts of money collected by this department for Milk and Restaurant Licenses. These amounts are credited under "Other Incomes" for the City of Berlin.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD J. MONTMINY,  
Health Officer

**Accepted and Approved**  
**by the Members of the Board of Health**



# Report of Recreation Parks and Playgrounds

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January 31, 1956

To His Honor, the Mayor, and members of the City Council:

We herewith submit the eighth annual report of the Recreation, Parks and Playgrounds Department of the City of Berlin.

At the termination of another year's activities in the department it is a privilege to enumerate them. These activities have involved all age groups, many forms of recreation, and it is felt that through these activities much pleasure and benefit have been afforded Berlin's citizens, young and old.

## **Playgrounds**

The accomplishment of the department's summer playground program was very commendable.

With the addition of a supervised playground on "Ramsey Hill," all sections of Berlin had a playground available.

The playgrounds were well attended each day and the attendance has grown considerably in the last few years.

A marked increase in interest was shown in the arts and crafts program, and the participating youngsters made a large variety of useful and colorful articles.

The children had an opportunity to learn many skills and develop good sportsmanship by the many contests the department conducted.

The wonderful success of the playgrounds was due to the very capable supervisors. They assisted in the annual "Kiddies Day Parade" sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce, and in other projects.

## **Swimming**

The very clement weather we enjoyed last summer resulted in excellent attendance at Moose Brook. There were approximately one thousand two hundred and sixty-one boys and girls taking

advantage of the daily trip to Moose Brook, where they obtained instruction by a qualified Red Cross Instructor and Life Saver. In addition to swimming, the children were taken on field trips and encouraged to take part in the activities offered by the attending supervisors.

### **Skating**

Berlin can be very proud of its seven ice skating rinks. They are maintained in the best way possible to facilitate good conditions for the pursuit of many people's favorite pastime. A daily check is made of all rinks to see if flooding or scraping is necessary.

### **Softball**

During the past summer, the interest in softball reached a new high in Berlin. Six (6) teams were organized with about one hundred and twenty men participating.

The "Recreation Department" team won the league play. In the tournament playoffs, "Brown Company" came out on top with "Western Auto" being the runner-up. Again last season, Berlin was represented in the state tournament played at North Conway. We couldn't go all the way and were defeated in the semi-finals.

As a culminating activity, a banquet was held at the "Chalet." At this occasion, the trophies, purchased by the Recreation Department were presented.

The installation of lights at the Community Field has made this softball field one of the best lighted fields in New England. These lights have enabled night time playing, and, consequently, more games could be played.

All the games were well attended by loyal supporters eagerly cheering their favorite team on to victory.

An added incentive for frequenting Community Field was the establishment of a concession housed in a new building there. This building also houses the equipment needed for the sports played there.

With all the facilities available in Berlin, and the excellent conditions available for playing softball, it is hoped that the state tournament can be held here in the near future.

### **Girls' Softball**

A new venture in the form of girls' softball was begun last summer. The girls were organized into four teams, and they showed a genuine interest in softball. As is true in introducing any new phase, there has to be a beginning, and that was just about what girls' softball was last summer, a beginning. The Department has plans for developing girls' softball to the extent that Berlin can be represented in state play-offs.

### **Tennis**

Tennis proved to be very popular in Berlin during the past season. The courts were in constant use. For the first time, the Recreation Department was in charge of the first Junior Chamber of Commerce tennis tournament. The winners played at Dartmouth College for the state tournament. Expenses for making this trip to Dartmouth College was handled by the local Junior Chamber of Commerce.

The annual Recreation Department's tournament was held with trophies being presented to the singles winners, runner-ups and also the doubles winners and runner-ups. More interest was shown in this tournament than previously, and this is a good indication of things to come.

### **Sliding**

A new innovation was introduced in Berlin this winter with the popularization of the "flying saucers." The Department built a slide for the use of these "flying saucers" through the cooperation of Brown Company, who allowed their land to be used. The department did not originate the idea of the sliding chute, but thought the idea good enough to use it. As in previous years, seven sliding areas have been set up to enable the youngsters to coast in safety.

### **Skiing**

Development of the "Mt. Jasper" skiing area has not grown as the Department would have liked it to. There was some work done there to clear the trails, but there was so much vandalism in the past that not enough money could be appropriated to make the area what it potentially can be. Plans are formed for making "Mt. Jasper" a place with good skiing conditions which will be available for Berlin's citizens.

The annual Grammar School Hockey League proved to be a very exciting league for the participants and observers. There were six (6) teams representing grammar schools of Berlin in the league and each team played a total of ten (10) games. Most of the games were played on the community field rink, but through the interest of many of the parents of the boys in the league, one game was played at the Notre Dame Arena. The attendance was very good for this contest, and the boys showed great enthusiasm in being able to play in the Arena. The annual "Champs" vs. "All-Stars" game was also played in the Arena, and the boys certainly displayed their talents on the ice. At this game awards were made to the "Champs" and also the "All-Stars." The Eagles Club presented a trophy to the St. Joseph's team as they were the 1955 champions of the Grammar School Hockey League.

The St. Joseph's team, for winning the championship, received a well deserved privilege by being able to see one of the "Bruins" games in Boston, and also to see the various sights of Boston. This trip was made possible by various clubs of the city who helped defray the expenses by their worthwhile contribution.

### **Senior Hockey League**

Senior hockey received a start last year by the Department's organization of a four (4) team league.

This league gave the teams a total of nine (9) games to play, and the interest was such, that it is hoped to bring back to Berlin the once interesting City Hockey League.

The playing site was split in that some games were played at the Community Field Rink, and some at the Notre Dame Arena.

After league play, a tournament was held at the Notre Dame Arena, and after seeing some very outstanding hockey by all teams, the "Rangers" came out as the "Champs", and they received a trophy for their accomplishment.

### **Baseball**

Again, the Department was instrumental in the organization and functioning of the Berlin "Little League." Things that the Department does to keep the "Little League" on the move are purchasing of all equipment, except uniforms, maintains the playing fields, and works hand in hand with the Board of Directors.

To better playing conditions for the three (3) high school baseball teams, the Department maintenance crew keeps Memorial Field and Community Field in the best playing condition.

The Pony League All-Stars got a boost this year by accepting to play the Park Extension All-Stars in Montreal. Montreal boosters went all out to show the Berlin boys a fine time, and gave them a banquet at the "Chalet" in Montreal. Other expenses that the Pony League had to meet, were met by a war bond raffle, and the selling of scrap paper to Brown Company. This competition has proved to be quite an international relationship, and plans are to repeat it each year on a home and home basis.

The Department is responsible for organizing, supervising, and maintaining the following leagues and series in the field of baseball:

Berlin Pony League.

Little League Farm Club.

Little League Farm Club Playoffs.

Pony League All-Stars vs. Park Extension All Stars of Montreal.

Pony League Playoffs.

Emblems and medals to Pony League "Champs", Runner-ups.

### **Music**

In another phase of the recreation program, which benefits both young and old, is that the department, in a financial way, sponsors the weekly band concerts played by the very able Brown Company Band. Financial assistance was also given to the Berlin Civic Chorus and Orchestra so that the public of Berlin could witness the various concerts given by this very talented group.

### **Basketball**

Basketball is one of the Department's most popular enterprises.

The basketball program expanded by leaps and bounds. Instead of the four (4) team league which participated during the last season play, there were six (6) teams with sponsors. As a result of this, more playing space was necessary, and the league was moved from the Community Club gym to the more spacious high school gym. A fifteen game schedule was played which was followed by a tournament. The interest in this tournament, won by "Camp Dodge," was especially high. The interest and appeal were intense enough to have the game of the tournament broadcast

over WMOU. A banquet which was greatly enjoyed by all those who attended, was held. At this event, a trophy was awarded to Captain Meshy in behalf of "Camp Dodge," the tournament champions.

### **Improving and Maintaining Recreation Areas**

The Department feels honored to have a maintenance crew that can maintain all the areas of promotion so well. Also it is a great asset to have a maintenance crew that is so dependable and interested in the promotion of recreation.

The accomplishments of the Department were many during the past year, such as :

- Seeded all playing fields.

- Painted all playground equipment.

- Planted evergreen in Community Field.

- Cut grass on all ball fields and parks.

- Painted one-third of the bleachers.

- Hauled clay to all infields.

- Built retaining wall at Community Field.

- Installed new fence on retaining wall (Fence purchased by Brown Company).

- Installed drinking fountain at Community Field.

- Helped in building three (3) shuffleboard courts.

- Helped in installation of lights at Community Field.

- Built green building for Community Field.

- Built permanent benches for both Little League Field and Community Field.

- Received 200 loads of bark to enlarge Community Field and scattered same.

- Worked with the City Electrician in the installation of Christmas Decorations.

- Built the nativity scene for the Chamber of Commerce.

- Installed band stand for different occasions.

- Furnished and installed the P. A. System for various clubs and celebrations.

- Built scoreboard for Community Field.

Much success of the Department is due to the cooperation and contributions of various individuals and organizations.

We would like to thank Mr. Niles, Mr. Dwyer, and the School Board for use of their facilities; Father Bousquet and Father Provost for the use of the Notre Dame Arena; Staff at WMOU

for announcing our activities and results; Staff at the Berlin Reporter for publishing our activities and results; Lions Club, Elks Club, Eagles Club, American Legion, Local No. 75, Local No. 1444, Kiwanis, Rotary Club, Knights of Columbus, Junior Chamber of Commerce, Berlin Chamber of Commerce, Moose Club, V.F.W., Labnon's Men Shop, Curtis Hardware, Paul's Laundry, Western Auto, Camp Dodge, Lavigne's Red Wing, Eastmans, Freezertreet, New England Tel. and Tel., F. W. Woolworth Company, Costello Hotel, Brown Company, Public Service for installing poles at Community Field, City Electrician and his helper, Jack Story for his worthwhile information about numerous things, Berlin Community Club, Management of "Chalet", and to all volunteers who helped in any way to further the promotion of recreation. Many thanks also to the Directors of the Civic Chorus, Civic Orchestra and the Brown Company Band.

To any person or organization whose help we may have neglected to mention, it has not been intentional.

We appreciate the cooperation that has been shown us by the Mayor, City Council and department heads toward our cause.

Respectfully submitted,

JIM BARNETT, Recreation Director

EDWARD OLESON, Chairman

RICHARD ROBERGE,

MRS. EDGAR THIBODEAU,

Board of Park Commissioners



# Report of City Clerk

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January 31, 1956

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council  
Berlin, New Hampshire

Gentlemen :

I submit herewith my report as City Clerk for the year ending January 31, 1956.

I have collected for the City of Berlin and credited to the appropriate departments, the following sums :

Automobile taxes .....	\$ 71,259.99
City Hall Rest Rooms.....	103.35
Dog Taxes .....	960.30
City Hall .....	146.00
Public Works Department.....	14,200.18
Fire Department .....	3,955.88
Miscellaneous .....	110.00
Municipal Halls .....	197.00
City Clerk's Department.....	523.00
Tax Deeds .....	201.00
Airport .....	265.00
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	\$ 91,921.70
Paid City Treasurer.....	\$ 91,921.70

## VITAL STATISTICS

The following tabulation shows the listing of births, deaths and marriages as recorded during the past five years :

	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955
Marriages .....	185	162	144	161	135
Births .....	498	516	517	524	592
Deaths .....	186	165	186	196	180

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES E. CRYANS,

City Clerk



# Report of Fire Department

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## PUBLIC SAFETY

I herewith submit the annual report of the Berlin Fire Department for the year ending January 31, 1956.

During the year the Department answered 421 calls; 148 calls for fires to buildings and contents; 32 grass or brush fires; 44 dump or rubbish fires; 26 automobile or truck fires; 7 fires to mills or shops; 24 false alarms; 99 ambulance calls and 41 miscellaneous calls such as spraying rag-weed solution, locked doors, removing ice from roofs, etc.

The Department travelled 1,412.3 miles and worked 217 hours and 11 minutes on the above calls and used the following equipment and material: 10,450 feet of 2½-inch hose; 2,000 feet of 1½-inch hose; 18,385 feet of ¾-inch hose (booster pump line) 25,960 gallons of water from booster tanks; 1,498 feet of ladders; 84 pounds of fire extinguisher chemical (CO'2). The smoke ejector was used 7 times; chimney weight to unplug chimneys was used 4 times; indian pumps used 7 times and the lighting unit was used 5 times.

At this time I wish to recommend that the old and obsolete equipment be replaced. We are in need of a new fire truck as the old trucks that are still in use can no longer be depended on under the present traffic conditions, as our City is developing fast in the out-skirts and the population is on the increase again. Our fire alarm system is under constant repairs and a new air plant equipped with horn is needed to replace the present steam whistle which is beyond repairs as parts are not obtainable.

We have been fortunate to have lost no lives in fires as other cities and the fire loss is still low.

I extend my sincere thanks to the Mayor and members of the Council, the Police Department and other departments of the city government and the residents of the City of Berlin for their cooperation during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

O. B. BERGQUIST,

Chief Engineer

### EXPENDITURES FOR 1955-56

Salaries, permanent men.....	\$113,468.47
Salaries, call department.....	2,935.00
Salaries, Cascade Hose Company.....	146.00
Salaries, searching for lost hunters.....	106.01
City assessment to Firemen's pension.....	6,189.69
Telephone and Telegraph Time service.....	1,452.25
Public Service Company, lights and power.....	800.13
Electric supplies, for City Departments.....	2,493.09
Fuel Oil, Central Station.....	1,625.73
Coal, East Side Station.....	803.97
Automotive machinery, supplies and repairs.....	451.77
Supplies, Central and East Side Stations.....	784.44
Repairs to Fire Alarm System.....	2,308.78
Gas, motor oil and grease supplies.....	625.25
Whitefield Steam Laundry.....	180.61
Repairs to Central and East Side Stations.....	320.33
Medical attention for injuries.....	32.00
Forest Fires, labor and meals.....	99.72
New equipment—asbestos suit, canvas tank and fire department car plates.....	108.68
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	\$134,931.92
Total expenditures .....	\$134,931.92
Credits received .....	5,500.37
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Expended, 1955 .....	\$129,431.55
Appropriation, 1955-56 .....	\$130,000.00
Expended .....	129,431.55
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Unexpended Balance .....	\$ 568.45

## REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS

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The following is a consolidation of reports received from the local fire insurance agents, for payments made due to fire loss, during the year 1955.

Loss on Buildings—department called.....	\$ 26,942.79
Loss on contents—department called.....	14,261.37
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Total department called.....	\$ 41,204.16
Loss on buildings—department not called.....	\$ 2,602.07
Loss on contents—department not called.....	3,530.47
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Total department not called.....	\$ 6,132.54
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Grand total loss paid for 1955.....	\$ 47,336.70
Estimated sound value of buildings involved.....	\$ 1,024,100.00
Insurance coverage on buildings.....	786,400.00
Estimated value of contents involved.....	472,600.00
Insurance coverage on contents.....	411,538.00

O. B. BERGQUIST,  
Chief

# Board of Education

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To His Honor, the Mayor, and Members of the City Council:

Herewith we submit a brief report of the Department of Education for the fiscal year ending January 31, 1956. A more detailed report is prepared at the close of the school year and additional information may be obtained at any time at the office of the Superintendent of Schools.

Total expenditures for the fiscal year ending January 31, 1956 were \$391,930.56, an increase of \$18,505.16 over last year's expenditures. Of the total credits, \$356,000.00 came from local tax appropriation, and \$35,938.79 from state and federal reimbursements, tuitions, cafeteria receipts, and from other sources as shown in the financial statement, a part of this report. The increase in expenditures was due principally to increases in salaries to teachers, janitors, and other employees as authorized by the Mayor and City Council, to the purchase of a school bus and a driver training car, to repairs to the N. Y. A. building for use as a garage for school buses, and to special repairs.

Purchase of one 48-passenger bus and rental of four 60-passenger busses has made possible a more flexible program of safe and comfortable transportation of school children. At the present time 658 children are carried on school busses, which travel some 170 miles daily. Kindergarten children of the Berlin Mills and East Side sections of the city, where kindergartens are not available, are now transported to the Marston Kindergarten. School busses are also being used for out-of-town trips of athletic teams, bands, and other school groups of both public and parochial schools. Use of busses for other than school groups is prohibited. The old N. Y. A. building, adjacent to Memorial Field, has been renovated to make an excellent garage for the busses.

Purchase of a new driver training car will make possible continuance of adult training and will avoid the delay in starting the program each year until the new models are available. It will also be possible with our own car to offer instruction during the summer months. More than a thousand persons—pupils and adults—

have completed this training which authorities claim has proved its value in preventing highway accidents.

Proper maintenance of plant and equipment is of real concern to your Board. Although much has been accomplished in the last few years, much still remains to be done. Many of the major repairs have to be planned in advance and work done during the summer months when schools are not in session. With final approval of budget generally delayed until mid-summer or later, it often becomes impossible to get such work undertaken, much less completed, before the opening of school in September. Many needed repairs must therefore be postponed to a later summer vacation. For good planning and a more efficient use of funds, it is essential that budget approval be given by June 1st or before.

Enrollments in the Berlin Public Schools have increased again this year, especially in the lower grades and in the Brown School district. With further increases expected next year, it will probably become necessary to separate the present double grades, and provide again for single grades throughout the city. One of the factors of the increased enrollment at Berlin High School is the enrollment of forty-four veterans.

It cannot be repeated too often that good teachers are essential to good schools. It must be apparent to all that it is becoming increasingly difficult to secure new teachers or to retain the old ones who are adequately qualified as to training and personal characteristics. There just are not enough good teachers to go around, and the competition to secure the better teachers to meet the demands of increasing enrollments, together with the competition from other fields, is creating a real emergency in education. In many cases the problem is not in selecting a teacher but of finding one. Berlin is indeed fortunate that so far it has been able to secure and retain an excellent teaching staff.

It is encouraging to note the rising interest of citizens generally in the great problems of Education. This is evidenced by the White House Conference on Education and by the more active support by Parent-Teacher groups, and the many parents and friends, who have been very generous in their support of our school programs. Active interest and thoughtful discussion of school programs will do much to bring about the type of education and the kind of schools essential to a free and democratic government.

May we extend, again, our sincere appreciation to the Mayor, the members of the City Council, and to the many others who have contributed most generously to our efforts to provide the best in education for your children.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS E. RANCOURT, Chairman  
 ROBERT O. MURPHY, Secretary  
 MARJORIE R. GILBERT,  
 Board of Education  
 CALEB H. NILES,  
 Superintendent of Schools

### FINANCIAL STATEMENT—BERLIN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

	Expended 1955-1956
<b>ADMINISTRATION</b>	
Salaries of district officers.....	\$ 200.00
Superintendent's salary, local share.....	5,675.00
Tax for state-wide supervision.....	2,080.00
Salaries of other personnel.....	7,989.99
Supplies and expenses.....	1,628.85
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	\$ 17,573.84
<b>INSTRUCTION</b>	
Teachers' salaries .....	\$217,826.46
Principals' salaries .....	6,515.70
Books and other instructional aids.....	4,205.31
Scholars' supplies .....	8,607.98
Salaries of clerical assistants.....	6,101.81
Supplies and other expenses.....	2,404.92
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	245,662.18
<b>OPERATION OF PLANT</b>	
Salaries of janitors.....	\$ 33,806.18
Fuel and heat.....	15,083.35
Water, light, supplies and expenses.....	6,554.48
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	55,444.01
<b>MAINTENANCE OF PLANT</b>	
Repairs and replacements.....	\$ 16,241.13
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	16,241.13

**AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES**

Health supervision .....	\$ 4,298.62
Transportation .....	13,297.24
Tuition .....	448.15
Special activities and funds.....	12,131.12

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 30,175.13
**FIXED CHARGES**

Retirements .....	\$ 15,529.05
Insurance .....	581.37

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 16,110.42
**CAPITAL OUTLAY**

Land and new buildings.....	\$ 2,709.70
Alterations and additions.....	0.00
New equipment .....	8,014.15

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 10,723.85

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**TOTAL EXPENDITURES, 1955-1956.....**


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**\$391,930.56**


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**CREDITS**

City of Berlin Appropriation.....	\$356,000.00
State of New Hampshire—Area School.....	15,590.47
State of New Hampshire—Cafeteria subsidy and special milk program.....	815.18
Cafeteria receipts .....	3,931.12
Tuition—Secondary .....	13,127.00
Tuition—Elementary .....	55.00
Shop accounts, etc.....	588.34
Driver training .....	170.50
Sale of equipment.....	295.00
Reimbursement, janitor overtime, Bartlett Voting Place.....	61.29
Part cost insurance (student) activities.....	100.00
Reimbursement, school bus rental account.....	706.94
Use of school busses—school and other groups	492.95
Refunds .....	5.00

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 \$391,938.79
 

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# Thirty-First Annual Report

OF THE

## Berlin Water Works, 1955

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### Members Who Have Served on the Board

George F. Lovett.....	1925-1941
Otto J. A. Dahl.....	1925-1939
Thomas H. Samson.....	1925-1928
J. J. O'Connell.....	1925-1931
Henry G. Gosselin.....	1928-1947
Ernest J. Gagnon.....	1932-1942
Richard Christiansen .....	1939-
Leroy J. Hughes .....	1942-1944
Leo F. Frechette.....	1942-1946
Arthur W. O'Connell.....	1944-1946
Edward Murphy .....	1946-
Roland J. Brideau.....	1947-
George T. Studd.....	1948-1952
Francis L. Brannen.....	1952-

### Mayors Who Have Served on the Board Ex-Officio

Joseph A. Vaillancourt.....	1925-1926
Eli J. King.....	1926-1928
Edward R. B. McGee.....	1928-1931
William E. Corbin.....	1931-1932
O. J. Coulombe.....	1932-1934
Daniel Feindel .....	1934-1935
Arthur J. Bergeron.....	1935-1938
Matthew J. Ryan.....	1938-1939
Aime A. Tondreau.....	1939-1943
Carl E. Morin.....	1943-1946
George A. Bell.....	1946-1947
Paul A. Toussaint.....	1947-1950
Aime A. Tondreau.....	1950-



**BERLIN WATER WORKS**

FRANCIS L. BRANNEN

**Chairman**

EDWARD MURPHY

**Clerk****Members of the Board**

AIME A. TONDREAU, Mayor, Member Ex-Officio

FRANCIS L. BRANNEN.....Term expires 1956

RICHARD CHRISTIANSEN .....Term expires 1957

EDWARD MURPHY .....Term expires 1958

ROLAND J. BRIDEAU.....Term expires 1959

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**Superintendent and Cashier**

ERNEST E. TANKARD

**Assistant Superintendent**

ALPHONSE BISSON, JR.

**Assistant Cashier**

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**COMMISSIONERS' REPORT**

January 23, 1956

To His Honor the Mayor and City Council  
City of Berlin, New Hampshire  
Gentlemen:

We are pleased to present herewith the thirty-first annual report of the Water Department.

This year has seen the largest building program since the City purchased the plant in 1925. Ninety-three new houses were connected to the system with another dozen or so under construction. Approximately one mile of pipelines were laid for these additions.

Many new building areas were opened up and a great many new long term building projects started. The Highland Park area now has some twenty new homes. The Bilodeau development in Liberty Park has a like amount. Other new developments are: The Ridgeview, the Haskell area, the Pepin layout, the Noury expansion and many more new homes in the Halvorson development.

The laying of an 8-inch line beginning at the Riverside caisson ground water pumping station on Riverside Drive, for the purpose of increasing the pumping output into the City, was started this year. We purchased 3600 feet of cement lined cast iron pipe, and 1100 of it was laid. The total distance required for completion of the project to the Motor Mart will be 6600 feet, and we plan to complete it in 1956.

For several years the need to prepare for emergencies has been widely publicized. Our gravity water supply, as we all know, is vulnerable to warfare, an easy target for biological diseases, and an open target for the atom bomb. Enemy interest in the deliberate contamination of drinking water supplies would be related to the ability to produce disease, and spread it throughout the population. The dropping of disease borne or atomic bombs from the air may well cripple our gravity source of supply.

The necessity for emergencies was well demonstrated by the destructive hurricanes "Carol" and "Edna" which struck this area in 1954. Many plants were left with crippled water systems, loss of power for pumping, empty water mains and silted reservoirs.

With the exception of several road washouts, our water supply was left intact. Electric power, however, was cut off temporarily, both for pumping and chlorination.

We are fortunate to have, as an auxiliary source of water supply, the Riverside pumping station. This type of water supply is practically immune to pollution from aerial bombings, and it is our hope this year to install an auxiliary source of either diesel or gasoline power for this station.

More trouble was experienced on our Ammonoosuc pipeline this year. On June 10th lightning struck a beech tree seventy-five feet north of the pipe line and one mile westerly from Jericho Brook crossing. The bolt of lightning completely shattered the tree and followed the roots into the ground. From this point it

left an open trench directly to the steel bands around the wooden pipeline. The charge then followed both east and west along the the pipeline for a distance of 2000 feet in each direction. The current followed along the steel bands and jumped across each joint. Many of these joints were completely uncovered from the force of the charge as the current became grounded when jumping from one joint to another. Damage amounted to some 200 holes in the pipeline costing us \$4,000.00 and much inconvenience to our customers. During repair work, the pipeline was completely shut off for about two weeks, and intermittently, for about three months.

For further details of the year's activities we refer you to our Superintendent's report, and for financial standing to the auditor's report.

Respectfully submitted,

AIME TONDREAU,

Mayor, Member Ex-Officio

FRANCIS L. BRANNEN,

Chairman

EDWARD MURPHY, Clerk

RICHARD CHRISTIANSEN,

Commissioner

ROLAND J. BRIDEAU,

Commissioner

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January 23, 1956

Board of Water Commissioners  
City of Berlin, New Hampshire  
Gentlemen:

The year 1955 was a year of unusual activity in the Water Works. More than one hundred new homes were built. Thirty-six old services were relaid with new pipes to the property line. More than one mile of new water mains were laid, and due to a bolt of lightning, repairs had to be made on one mile of 20-inch transmission pipeline near Godfrey dam, ten miles from the city proper.

Rainfall during the year was 4.37 inches below normal—a total of 33.84 inches. The shortage came in the late fall so that ample water was available during the summer months when it was needed.

Our meters recorded more water consumption this year than any other year. The total amount was 1,054,305,000 gallons; 7,000,000 gallons more than the peak year of 1947 when consumption was 1,046,000,000 gallons.

The Riverside auxiliary ground water supply was a life saver this year; 20,000,000 gallons was pumped from this source. Electric power for pumping amounted to \$41.71 per million gallons pumped.

### **Beaver**

Beaver have been real pests in our water supply. Debris from beaver activities are continually clogging our intake screens and valves. When their dams are dynamited and torn out, a great accumulation of strongly odorous black muck is released. Beaver create small impoundments of shallow flow. There is a rise in water temperature, along with growth of small animals and other forms of life leading to odor production in the water.

All our gravity supplies are infested with these animals. In the past we have depended to a large extent on licensed trappers to eliminate them during the trapping season, after which we remove the dams and debris. Due to the large amount of competition among trappers, the number of beaver removed from our water sheds has not been very successful. Last year with permission of the Fish and Game Department we took it upon ourselves to trap the Bean and Horn Brook areas. Twenty beaver were taken from these areas in 1955. A summer inspection showed little if any active beaver colonies remaining.

### **Financial**

Gross income for the year was \$137,480.00. Abatements for municipal uses in public buildings, schools, churches, institutions, fire hydrants, etc., amounted to \$13,653.00. Actual paying accounts, therefore, amounted to \$123,827.00 of which only \$117.12 remained outstanding on January 1st, 1956.

Balance in the bank was \$7,818.84, January 1st, 1956. We paid \$30,000.00 on principal and \$7,012.50 in interest during the year. This leaves five more payments on bonds of \$30,000 each. The last

payment on these bonds will be in 1960. With the reduction in interest payments and increase in building expansion, we expect an operating income of \$128,000 next year.

### Recommendations

Since the plant was bought in 1925 from the Berlin Water Company, several building booms occurred similar to this year when mains had to be extended and construction costs were more than our finances would permit from income. To cope with expansion in the past, two additional bond issues were floated—one for \$25,000 in 1931 and another for \$35,000 in 1940. These have been paid off in addition to another \$550,000 in plant bonds.

Further on in this report you will note that our proposed budget for 1956 shows a balance at the end of the year of \$1,234.46. I regret to say that the enormous building progress for 1954-1955 far exceeded our budget and it became necessary for us to abandon much maintenance work necessary for the efficient upkeep of our plant. The expansion outlook for 1956 is even greater. I suggest that steps be taken at once to float sufficient short term bonds to bring our plant up to date.

In conclusion I wish to thank the Board of Water Commissioners for their cooperation and to acknowledge my debt to the whole-hearted and efficient employees of the department.

Respectfully submitted,

ERNEST E. TANKARD,

Superintendent

### RECOMMENDATIONS

#### Excerpts From 1938 Report of the National Board of Fire Underwriters (recommendations)

Hillside Ave., Blanchard to High St.	800 ft. 10-inch pipe	\$20,000.00
Hillside Ave., High to Prospect St.,	500 ft. 8-inch pipe	8,000.00
Prospect St., Hillside to Perkins L.	500 ft. 8-inch pipe	8,000.00
Champlain St., Coos to Stratford	1,000 ft. 8-inch pipe	12,000.00
Installing valves on remaining hydrants (3).....		900.00
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		\$ 48,900.00

**1956 BUDGET**

Cash in Bank, January 1st, 1956.....\$ 7,818.84

Outstanding uncollected water accts. 117.12

Gross Income, 1956 estimated..... 128,211.00

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\$136,146.96

Less: Uncollected for year, estimated

100.00

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\$136,046.96**Expenses:**

Gravity Supply Labor and Exp.....\$ 2,500.00

Purification Expense ..... 5,500.00

Filter Plant Expense..... 2,500.00

Repairs to Mains..... 2,500.00

Repairs to Wooden Pipe..... 5,000.00

Repairs to Services..... 2,500.00

Maintenance Expense ..... 7,500.00

Meter Department ..... 1,000.00

Meter Reading ..... 450.00

General Office Salaries..... 3,500.00

Thawing Expense ..... 1,000.00

Insurance ..... 2,700.00

Stationery and Printing..... 300.00

Garage Expense ..... 3,200.00

Shop Expense ..... 1,000.00

Superintendence and Engineering 5,800.00

Kent Street Pump Expense..... 600.00

Storehouse Expense ..... 2,500.00

General Expense ..... 2,000.00

Hydrant Expense ..... 2,500.00

Commissioners' Salaries ..... 1,100.00

Ground Water System Expense.... 1,000.00

Ramsey Hill Booster System Exp. 200.00

Ramsey Hill Pump Expense..... 300.00

Petrograd Street Pump Expense 175.00

Hillsboro Street Pump Expense.... 250.00

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Operating Expenses ..... \$ 57,575.00

**Improvements:**

New Storehouse at Filter Plant....\$	500.00
New Services .....	5,000.00
New construction, water mains.....	7,000.00
Excavating of 5,500 ft. trench for Riverside pump line to 11th St.	23,000.00
Auxiliary power, Riverside Pump	6,000.00
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Improvements .....	41,500.00

**Financial Expenses:**

Bonds .....	\$ 30,000.00
Interest .....	5,737.50
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Financial Expenses .....	35,737.50
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Total Expenses and Improvements	\$134,812.50
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Estimated Balance in Bank, January 1st, 1957.....	\$ 1,234.46

**WATER BONDS AND INTEREST PAYMENTS**

\$700,000 Water Bonds, 4¼%, Issued 1925

	Date	Principal	Interest	Balance
April	1, 1956	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 3,187.50	\$120,000.00
October	1, 1956		2,550.00	
April	1, 1957	30,000.00	2,550.00	90,000.00
October	1, 1957		1,912.50	
April	1, 1958	30,000.00	1,912.50	60,000.00
October	1, 1958		1,275.00	
April	1, 1959	30,000.00	1,275.00	30,000.00
October	1, 1959		637.50	
April	1, 1960	30,000.00		0,000.00

**WATER DEPARTMENT—BONDS**1925 Water Bonds for purchase of plant @  $4\frac{1}{4}\%$ :

Outstanding balance on principal \$150,000

	Interest	Principal
Interest paid 1925 to December 31, 1955.....	\$620,500.00	
Additional int. to be paid before retirement	15,300.00	
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	\$635,800.00	\$700,000.00

1931 Water Improvement Bonds

(Ramsey Hill Extension) @  $4\frac{1}{2}\%$ :

Interest paid retirement, 1940.....	\$ 6,750.00	
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	\$ 6,750.00	\$ 25,000.00

1940 Purification Bonds @  $1\frac{3}{4}\%$ :

Interest paid retirement, 1947.....	\$ 2,450.00	
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	\$ 2,450.00	\$ 35,000.00

**Total Distribution Pipes and Gates in Use December 31, 1955**

Size	Cast Iron	Gal. Iron	Trans- ite	Wood Stave	Cement Lined	Copper	Gates
1½-inch and smaller		14,385				429	67
2-inch		83,378			2,790		178
3-inch	1,061						4
4-inch	2,853						5
6-inch	94,253				1,380		221
8-inch	24,899				1,100		19
10-inch	10,478						12
12-inch	10,389		300				15
14-inch	1,460			4,904			3
16-inch				7,500			
Total	145,393	97,763	300	12,404	5,270	429	524

**Hydrants Without Valves**

STREET	LOCATION
Fourth	End of Street
Union	Near Buber Mill
Willard	West of Hillside Avenue



**Water Main Extensions 1955**

STREET	LOCATION	Distance	Size
Alice	West End	105 ft.	2-in. steel
Argonne	East of Maynesboro St.	289 ft.	2-in. steel
Arthur	West of Winter St.	220 ft.	2-in. steel
Bemis	East End	260 ft.	2-in. steel
Blais	South End	260 ft.	2-in. steel
Demers	North End	126 ft.	2-in. steel
Fourth Ave.	South of Petrograd St.	215 ft.	2-in. steel
Harding	West End	87 ft.	2-in. steel
High	West End	73 ft.	2-in. steel
Hill	West of Second Ave.	160 ft.	2-in. steel
Hillside Ave.	Near Hillside Tank	180 ft.	2-in. steel
Madison Ave.	West End	55 ft.	2-in. steel
Pauline	Off Hutchins St.	505 ft.	2-in. steel
Pine Island Ave.	West End	140 ft.	2-in. steel
Ridge Ave.	Upper Hillside Ave.	206 ft.	2-in. steel
Riverside Drive	Riverside Pump Line	1100 ft.	8-in. CI-CL
Second Ave.	South End	150 ft.	2-in. steel
Smyth	Highland Terrace	428 ft.	6-in. CI-CL
Sweden	Between 8th & 9th Sts.	90 ft.	2-in. steel
Trudel	North End	41 ft.	2-in. steel
Trudel	South End	40 ft.	2-in. steel
Twelfth	West End	537 ft.	2-in. steel
Verdun	South of Bemis St.	351 ft.	2-in. steel
Woodward	West of Riverside Dr.	370 ft.	2-in. steel

**LOCATION OF FIRE HYDRANTS**

No.	Street	Location	Static Pressure
	Blanchard .....	Corner Emery .....	
	Burgess .....	Corner Grafton .....	105
	Burgess .....	Corner Mason .....	103
	Burgess .....	Corner Stratford .....	97
5	Burgess .....	Corner Merrimack .....	95
	Burgess .....	Corner Thomas .....	
	Burgess .....	Berwick .....	
	Bridge .....	East of Verdun.....	78
	Bridge .....	East of Hutchins.....	82
10	Cascades .....	Western Avenue .....	105
	Cascades .....	Bridge St. and Wentworth Ave.	95
	Cascades .....	Corbin and Gordon Aves.....	91
	Champlain .....	Corner Alpha .....	
	Champlain .....	Near No. 388.....	
15	Champlain .....	Corner Merrimack .....	

	Cedar .....	Near Prospect .....	123
	Cedar .....	Corner Summer .....	83
	Church .....	Corner Hillside Ave.....	
	Church .....	Near Holt Ave.....	
20	Church .....	West of Portland St.....	65
	Church .....	Hickey Hill .....	80
	Coos .....	Corner Hutchins .....	72
	Coos .....	Corner King .....	55
	Coos .....	Beaudoin .....	
25	Coos .....	Rockingham .....	75
	Coos .....	Champlain .....	85
	Derrah .....	East of Lancaster.....	80
	Derrah .....	East of Beaudoin.....	63
	Denmark .....	Between 7th and 8th Streets.....	65
30	Denmark .....	North of Eighth Street.....	65
	Denmark .....	Near No. 252.....	25
	Exchange .....	Near Pleasant Street.....	115
	First Avenue .....	Corner Hill Street.....	76
	First Avenue .....	Lower End .....	74
35	First Avenue .....	Corner Roderick .....	96
	First Avenue .....	South of Green St.....	100
	First Avenue .....	Corner Clarke .....	
	First Avenue .....	Corner Laurel .....	75
	Fourth .....	Upper End .....	75
40	Forbush Avenue .....	Corner Westcott .....	65
	Forbush Avenue .....	Corner Beaudoin .....	57
	Forbush Avenue .....	Corner Gendron .....	52
	Forbush Avenue .....	East of Howland.....	85
	Forbush Avenue .....	Corner Trudel .....	
45	Glen Avenue .....	Glen Motors, Inc.....	125
	Glen Avenue .....	Top of Glen Hill.....	130
	Glen Avenue .....	Cross Machine Shop.....	135
	Glen Avenue .....	Car Barn .....	137
	Glen Avenue .....	Opposite Miles residence.....	137
50	Goebel .....	Corner Mason .....	120
	Goebel .....	Corner Stratford .....	120
	Goebel .....	Corner Merrimack .....	120
	Goebel .....	Corner Devens .....	120
	Gorham Road .....	At Berlin Line.....	160
55	Grafton .....	Corner Gendron .....	120
	Grafton .....	Corner Lancaster .....	
	Grafton .....	Near Hutchins .....	
	Grafton .....	Corner Sullivan .....	
	Green .....	Green Square .....	118

60	Green	City National Bank	118
	Green	Near underpass	115
	Granite	Near York	108
	High	Corner Pleasant	102
	High	East of School Street	100
65	High	Opposite Emery	95
	High	Opposite Hillside Ave.	85
	High	Opposite State	75
	High	Corner Portland	65
	High	East of River Street	60
70	High	West of River Street	60
	Hillsboro	South of Merrimack	
	Hillside Avenue	Near Grand Trunk Crossing	115
	Hillside Avenue	Corner Blanchard	
	Hillside Avenue	Corner Spring Street	
75	Hillside Avenue	Corner Cedar	90
	Hillside Avenue	Opposite Poplar	
	Hillside Avenue	Opposite Lincoln	63
	Hillside Avenue	North of Lincoln	43
	Hinchey	Corner Fourth Avenue	
80	Hutchins	Blanchard's Mill	
	Hutchins	Corner Success Road	
	Hutchins	Near Bean Brook crossing	
	Hutchins	Opposite Horn Street	68
	Hutchins	North of Bridge Street	68
85	Hutchins	Napert Village	
	Jericho	Incinerator Plant	
	Jolbert	Corner Second Avenue	
	Jolbert	Corner Fourth Avenue	72
	Kent	Corner Derrah	42
90	Kent	Corner Coos	80
	Madison Avenue	Corner Hillside Avenue	86
	Madison Avenue	Corner Pine	86
	Madison Avenue	Corner Park	86
	Madison Avenue	Corner River Street	185
95	Madigan	Corner Fourth Avenue	100
	Madigan	Corner Fifth Avenue	82
	Madigan	Corner Sixth Avenue	65
	Main	Corner Eleventh	
	Main	Corner Eighth	70
100	Main	Opposite Bridge Street	70
	Main	Corner Seventh	70
	Main	Corner Sixth	70

	Main .....	Corner Fifth .....	70
	Main .....	North from Maple .....	68
105	Main .....	Opposite Brown Co. Lab. ....	70
	Main .....	Opposite Fourth .....	72
	Main .....	Opposite Third .....	73
	Main .....	Corner Second .....	73
	Main .....	Corner First .....	73
110	Main .....	Brown Company Office .....	73
	Main .....	Opposite Cambridge .....	75
	Main .....	Corner Success .....	78
	Main .....	Corner Pleasant .....	100
	Main .....	Near No. 247 .....	115
115	Main .....	Corner Mason .....	120
	Main .....	Opposite Newberry store .....	120
	Main .....	Near No. 82 .....	120
	Main .....	Opposite Mullen Drug Store .....	120
	Maple .....	Near Brown Avenue .....	
120	Mason .....	Corner Granite .....	108
	Mason .....	Corner Cole .....	108
	Mason .....	Corner Champlain .....	
	Mason .....	Corner Rockingham .....	93
	Mechanic .....	Between Main and Pleasant .....	120
125	Mechanic .....	West of Pleasant .....	120
	Mechanic .....	West of Cole Street .....	110
	Mechanic .....	Berlin Grain Company .....	120
	Milan Road .....	W. S. Opposite St. Clair garage .....	
	Milan Road .....	W. S. near Smith farm .....	
130	Milan Road .....	W. S. Front Demers residence .....	
	Milan Road .....	W. S. near Twitchell residence .....	
	Milan Road .....	W. S. near Gibbons farm .....	
	Milan Road .....	E. S. Maynesboro Farm .....	58
	Milan Road .....	E. S. Thompson Farm .....	55
135	Mt. Forist .....	Near Western Avenue .....	100
	Mt. Forist .....	Near Rouleau residence .....	
	Napert Village .....	Near Boston and Maine .....	
	Ninth .....	Corner Main .....	
	Norway .....	Opposite Sixth .....	
140	Norway .....	Between 7th and 8th .....	
	Norway .....	North of Eighth .....	
	Norway .....	Opposite Ninth .....	
	Norway .....	Corner Tenth .....	
	Oak .....	Corner Willard .....	
145	Pershing Avenue .....	East of Verdun .....	66

	Pershing Avenue .....	West of Verdun.....	81
	Pleasant .....	Opposite Prince residence.....	98
	Pleasant .....	Corner Mason .....	
	Pleasant .....	Corner York .....	120
150	Portland .....	Corner Lincoln .....	
	Portland .....	Corner Willard .....	80
	Poplar .....	East of Summer.....	72
	Poplar .....	West of Summer.....	75
	Prospect .....	Near Perkins Lane.....	58
155	River .....	Corner Willard .....	173
	School .....	Corner Third .....	74
	School .....	<b>Corner First .....</b>	<b>64</b>
	School .....	Near Notre Dame High School...	
	School .....	Corner Church Street.....	97
160	School .....	Corner Washington .....	99
	School .....	Corner Granite .....	80
	Second Avenue .....	Corner Harding .....	80
	Second Avenue .....	Corner Clarke .....	83
	Second Avenue .....	Opposite Hamlin .....	85
165	Second Avenue .....	Opposite Sessions .....	103
	Sixth Avenue .....	Corner Labossiere .....	103
	Skating Rink .....	Gilbert Street .....	
	Smyth .....	Highland Terrace .....	
	Spring .....	West of Guilmette.....	
170	Success .....	West of School Street.....	85
	Success .....	Corner Main .....	
	Summer .....	Corner Guilmette .....	120
	Summer .....	East of Spruce.....	98
	Sweden .....	Corner Seventh .....	
175	Sweden .....	Corner Eighth .....	
	Third Avenue .....	Corner Mt. Forist.....	70
	Third Avenue .....	St. Joseph School.....	
	Twelfth .....	Corner Norway .....	
	Union .....	Buber's Mill .....	115
180	Watson Village .....	Main highway .....	
	Watson Village .....	On Flat .....	
	Western Avenue .....	South of Gerrish.....	100
	Western Avenue .....	Opposite Glidden residence.....	95
	Western Avenue .....	Opposite No. 694.....	
185	Western Avenue .....	Opposite DeBlois residence.....	105
	Western Avenue .....	Opposite Legassie residence.....	
	Western Avenue .....	Opposite Birch Street.....	
	Western Avenue .....	Corner Williams .....	

	Wight .....	Corner Third Avenue.....	
190	Wight .....	Corner Boulay Street.....	97
	Wight .....	Opposite Cloutier residence.....	95
	Wight .....	Near Duguay .....	93
	Wight .....	City Barn .....	95
	Wight .....	Front Incinerator Plant.....	95
195	Willard .....	Corner Emery .....	97
	Willard .....	West of Hillside Avenue.....	85
	Willard .....	Corner State .....	84
	Willow .....	Corner State .....	
	Westcott .....	Corner Marble .....	71
200	York .....	Front Hamel's .....	120

## SUMMARY OF STATISTICS

For the Year Ending December 31, 1955

### BERLIN WATER WORKS

Coos County, N. H.

#### General Statistics

Population as of January 1955—18,000.

Date of construction—Main construction, 1892.

Sources of supply—Bean and Horn brooks, Ammonoosuc river, ground water caisson well.

Mode of supply—Gravity and auxiliary pumping.

#### Statistics Relating to Distribution System

1. Kind of pipe—Cast iron, wrought iron, copper, cement lined and wooden stave.
2. Sizes—Two to sixteen-inch.
3. Extended during year—5,990 feet.
4. Total now in use—50 miles.
5. Length of pipe less than 4 inches in diameter—16 miles.
6. Number of hydrants set during year—One.
7. Number of hydrants changed during year—One.
8. Number of public hydrants—200.
9. Number of private hydrants—97.
10. Number of stop gates added during year—Ten.
11. Number of stop gates smaller than 4-inch—249.
12. Number of stop gates in use—524.
13. Range of pressure in mains—30 to 150 pounds.

**Statistics Relating to Services, Meters, Etc.**

1. Kind of pipe—Cast iron, wrought iron, brass, copper and cement lined.
2. Sizes— $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch to 6-inch.
3. New services added during year—93.
4. Total number of services now in use—3,508.

**Meters**

1. Number of meters added for the year—None.
2. Number of meters now in use—603.
3. Number of meters changed during year—51.
4. Number of meters tested—71.
5. Percentage of services on meter—15%.

**Booster Pumps**

1. Location—Corner Spring and Guilmette Streets.  
Manufactured by DeLaval Steam Turbine Company.  
Description—Two single stage centrifugal pumps in series. Pumps from distribution system into a 40,000-gallon emergency storage tank on Hillside Avenue. (Pump to be used in an emergency.)
2. Location—Near junction of Kent Street and Forbush Avenue.  
Manufactured by DeLaval Steam Turbine Company.  
Description—Single stage centrifugal. Direct connected to the distribution mains. Pumps into a 20,000-gallon storage tank on Forbush Avenue.
3. Location—Hillside Avenue Extension.  
Lunt Moss unit.  
Description—Single stage 5-H. P. 30-g.p.m. Pumps into a 450-gallon storage tank.
4. Location—Corner Petrograd Street and Sixth Avenue.  
Lunt Moss unit.  
Description—Single stage 5-H. P. 30-g.p.m. Pumps into two 315-gallon storage tanks.
5. Location—Upper Hillsboro Street.  
Lunt Moss unit.  
Description—Single stage 7.5-H. P. 50-g.p.m. Pumps into two 475-gallon storage tanks.

**Purification Equipment**

1. Chloro-feeder unit, venturi controlled, in service on Ammonoosuc line.
2. Chloro-feeder unit, meter controlled in service on Hornbrook supply line.



3. Chloro-feeder unit, venturi controlled, in service on Bean brook supply line.
4. Chloro-feeder unit, meter controlled, in service at the River-side pump.

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**BERLIN WATER WORKS**  
**SCHEDULE OF WATER RATES**

**Effective July 1st, 1954**

**Flat Rates**

For first family, per year.....	\$11.00
For second family, per year.....	9.00
For third family, per year.....	8.00
For fourth family, per year.....	7.00
Bath tubs, each.....	2.50
Water closets, each.....	5.00
Wash basins, each.....	2.50
Maximum rate covering private dwelling house occupied by one family .....	25.00
Offices and stores, faucet.....	10.00
Stable .....	3.00
Each additional animal.....	1.00
Hose, to be used not more than two hours per day, May 1st to October 1st.....	4.00

**Fountains**

To be used not more than six hours per day from  
May 1st to October 1st:

For 1/16-inch jet or less.....	\$ 4.00
For 1/8-inch jet .....	10.00

All fountains having an orifice or discharge greater than 1/8-inch in diameter, will be supplied water by meter.

**Meter Rates**

Service charge .....	\$1.00 per quarter
First 1,500 feet.....	\$ .30
Next 3,500 feet.....	.22
Next 5,000 feet.....	.18
Next 10,000 feet.....	.15
Next 20,000 feet.....	.12
Over 40,000 feet.....	.10
Minimum yearly meter charge.....	22.00



# Report of Police Department

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## REPORT OF CITY MARSHAL

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Gentlemen :

I have the honor to submit for your consideration the yearly Report of the Police Department, commencing January 1st, and ending December 31st, 1955.

Males .....	410
Females .....	11
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Total Number of Arrests.....	421

### Causes

Assault .....	11
Assault on Officer.....	2
Attempted Assault .....	1
Attempted Unnatural Act.....	1
Bastardy .....	1
Breach of Contract.....	1
Breaking, Entering and Larceny.....	3
Defraud .....	1
Derisive Words .....	2
Disorderly Conduct .....	5
Drunkenness .....	252
Failed to Send Children to School.....	2
Failed to Furnish Financial Responsibility.....	2
For Other Department.....	5
Grand Larceny .....	1
Interfering With Officer.....	2
Larceny .....	7
Lewdness .....	1
Loitering .....	1
Noise and Brawl .....	4
Non-Support .....	4
Obstructing Officer .....	1
Obscene Language .....	1

Resisting Officer .....	3
Shooting Dog .....	1
Vagrancy .....	2
Violation of Liquor Laws.....	2
Automobile, Allowing Unfit Person to Operate.....	2
Automobile, Allowing Unlicensed Person to Operate.....	1
Automobile, Failed to Have Car Inspected.....	20
Automobile, Grossly Careless .....	7
Automobile, Grossly Negligent .....	2
Automobile, Leaving Scene of Accident.....	4
Automobile, Operating While Under the Influence of Liquor.....	11
Automobile, Operating After License Revoked.....	2
Automobile, Operating After License Suspended.....	2
Automobile, Operating Unregistered Car .....	8
Automobile, Passing School Bus.....	4
Automobile, Violating Traffic Ordinance.....	11
Automobile, Speeding .....	14
Automobile, Operating Without License.....	14

### Miscellaneous

Attempted breaks reported, investigated.....	3
Attempted suicide reported, investigated.....	1
Automobile accidents reported.....	396
Automobile accidents investigated.....	157
Automobiles reported stolen.....	8
Automobiles recovered .....	8
Automobiles recovered for other departments.....	3
Bicycles reported stolen.....	20
Bicycles recovered .....	22
Bicycles unclaimed .....	2
Bodies found .....	2
Breaks reported, investigated.....	20
Burglar alarm investigated.....	2
Cats taken to incinerator plant.....	499
Complaints reported, investigated.....	792
Dogs taken to incinerator plant.....	196
Escorts to bank.....	500
Escorts to express office.....	15
Escorts to post office.....	95
Escorts to business establishments.....	51
Fatally injured in automobile accident.....	1
Found dead in cell.....	1
Fox taken to incinerator plant.....	1

# REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS

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Gates found unlocked and secured.....	15
Loaded trucks checked found OK.....	68
Lost children returned to parents.....	19
Night lights reported out.....	4
Message delivered .....	27
Persons injured in auto accidents.....	43
Persons brought in to be questioned.....	74
Persons for lodging.....	826
Persons for safe-keeping for the Army.....	4
Persons for safe-keeping for drunkenness.....	307
Persons for safe-keeping for FBI.....	1
Persons for safe-keeping for investigation.....	4
Persons for safe-keeping for insanity.....	4
Persons for safe-keeping for D. T.'s.....	2
Persons for safe-keeping for Sheriff's department.....	14
Persons for safe-keeping for State Trooper.....	5
Persons taken home, sick or injured.....	21
Persons taken to Hospital.....	21
Pigeons taken to incinerator plant.....	2
Premises searched for liquor.....	2
Premises searched for stolen property.....	1
R. R. cars checked and found OK.....	668
R. R. cars seals found broken.....	5
Rabbits taken to incinerator plant.....	2
Raccoons taken to incinerator plant.....	4
Reprimanded .....	30
Stray dogs returned to owners.....	20
Sudden deaths reported, investigated.....	6
Suicide reported, investigated.....	1
Safes found open and secured.....	2
Skunks taken to incinerator plant.....	2
Window glass found broken.....	18
Window found open and closed.....	55

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAN OLESON,

City Marshal

**EXPENDITURES FOR YEAR ENDING JANUARY 28, 1956****Personnel**

Salaries .....	\$111,738.79	
Pension .....	5,204.63	
Supplies and Expenses.....	651.33	
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		\$117,594.75

**Headquarters**

Fuel .....	\$ 761.78	
General Supplies .....	357.82	
Lights .....	510.09	
Office Supplies .....	266.15	
New Furnace .....	1,650.00	
Repairs and Maintenance.....	25.45	
Miscellaneous .....	224.37	
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		3,795.66

**Telephone and Telegraph**

Telephone and Telegraph.....	1,615.75
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**Automobiles**

Equipment .....	\$ 2,267.50	
Gasoline .....	2,783.21	
Oil .....	90.24	
Repairs .....	432.24	
Miscellaneous .....	67.13	
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		5,640.32

**Bicycles**

Plates and Registrations.....	120.75
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**Prisoners' Expenses**

Conveying .....	\$ 1.00	
Doctors .....	15.00	
Meals .....	87.00	
Laundry .....	13.68	
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		116.68

**Radio**

Supplies and Expenses.....	460.30
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**Traffic**

Supplies and Expenses.....	483.00
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**Commissioners**

Salaries .....	350.00
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<b>Total Expenditures</b> .....	<b>\$130,177.21</b>
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Appropriation .....	\$131,000.00
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Credits .....	560.65
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	\$131,560.65
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Total expenditures .....	130,177.21
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Unexpended .....	\$ 1,383.44
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**CLERK OF MUNICIPAL COURT**


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To His Honor the Mayor, and Members of the City Council  
Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report as Clerk of the Municipal Court,  
for the year ending January 31, 1956.

Amount received from February 1, 1955 to and including

January 31, 1956.....	\$ 2,785.75
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Amount paid, State fines and fees.....	998.46
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Balance .....	\$ 1,787.29
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Amount paid City Treasurer.....	\$ 1,787.29
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Respectfully submitted,

E. ARTHUR VALLIERES,

Clerk of Municipal Court

# Report of Public Works

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To His Honor the Mayor and City Council  
Berlin, New Hampshire

Gentlemen :

I hereby submit the annual report of the Public Works Department for the fiscal year ending January 31, 1956.

Before going into my report I wish to thank the Mayor and Council, the various department heads, the New Hampshire State Highway personnel and the employees of the Public Works Department, for their cooperation during the past year, making possible a great amount of work being done all over the city as will be shown in the following report.

## Street Construction

The following streets were constructed or reconstructed during the year.

Hutchins Street near Bean Brook to Sully Street.....	750 feet
Rhiems Street .....	200 feet
Bemis Street .....	450 feet
Verdun Street .....	480 feet
Maynesboro Street .....	400 feet
Hutchins Street near Bridge Street.....	500 feet
Hutchins Street near log pile.....	150 feet
Twelfth Street .....	1,200 feet
Williamson Avenue .....	1,400 feet
Nansen Street .....	700 feet
Pine Island Street.....	600 feet
Norway Street Extension.....	300 feet
Jordan Street .....	200 feet
Wescott Street .....	200 feet
Jasper Street .....	100 feet
Prospect Street .....	400 feet
Portland Street .....	400 feet
Winter Street (partially done).....	500 feet
Second Avenue (partially done).....	1,000 feet

Horne Street .....	100 feet
Harding Street (Extension).....	100 feet
Trudel Street (Extension).....	200 feet
Hillsboro Street .....	200 feet
Hillside Avenue and Second Avenue, new two inch hot top and regrading.....	550 feet
Widening of upper Main Street from Eleventh Street to compact line (partially done)	
Jolbert Street .....	200 feet

### Street Resurfacing

During the summer months a great deal of street resurfacing was done around the city. 94,050 gallons of M C 3 was used and a hone was hired from the State Highway Department to hone our streets as the asphalt and sand was applied taking out many of the small bumps and holes.

The following are the streets that were treated:

Twitchell Lane .....	500 feet	Lancaster Street .....	1,000 feet
McGee Street .....	400 feet	Gendron Street .....	400 feet
Pine Island Street.....	600 feet	Howland Street .....	400 feet
Daley Street .....	200 feet	Portland Street .....	400 feet
Nansen Street .....	800 feet	Church Street .....	All
Williamson Avenue	1,200 feet	High Street .....	800 feet
Twelfth Street .....	1,200 feet	Park Street .....	200 feet
Eleventh Street .....	250 feet	State Street .....	400 feet
Sweden Street .....	All	Jasper Street .....	All
Eighth Street .....	All	Third Avenue .....	All
Denmark Street .....	1,000 feet	Hinchey Street .....	600 feet
Maple Street .....	All	Wight Street .....	800 feet
Bridge Street .....	All	Shepard Street .....	800 feet
Verdun Street .....	600 feet	Mannering Street .....	350 feet
Bermico Street .....	200 feet	Madigan Street .....	350 feet
Champlain Street .....	All	Gindlin Street .....	400 feet
Mason Street E. S....	All	Cedar Street .....	500 feet
Granite Street .....	All	Summer Street .....	600 feet
Hillsboro Street .....	All	Susan Street .....	100 feet
Coos Street .....	1,200 feet	Hillside Avenue .....	800 feet
Grafton Street .....	1,000 feet	Washington Street ...	600 feet
Kent Street .....	1,500 feet	Jolbert Street .....	200 feet
Derrah Street .....	1,000 feet	Cascades Street .....	500 feet
Wescott Street .....	All	Enman Hill Rd. (TRA)	½ mile

### **Widening of Streets**

Many of our streets have been widened this year to relieve some of our traffic problems and to facilitate snow removal. I hope that more of them will be taken care of in the near future.

### **Street Patching**

A total of 1,551 tons of cold patch was used to maintain our streets this year. This was applied to our streets at a cost of \$31,107.61.

### **Sewer Construction**

Due to the great amount of new home construction during the past year a very heavy sewer construction program was carried out, the department laying 9,460 feet of new sewer lines throughout our city.

### **Storm Drains**

Several new catch basins were installed where needed and many more should be installed in the future. Also storm drains are needed in several places in the city.

The usual preventive maintenance schedule was carried out all over the city.

### **Bridges**

The painting and sand blasting of the Berlin Mills Bridge was completed this year and new railings should be installed in the near future.

A reinforced abutment was constructed on the west side of Cascade Bridge, the cost of this being half by the town of Gorham and half by the city of Berlin.

### **Cemeteries**

The usual cemetery maintenance work was carried out this summer with at least one man assigned to the cemetery at all times.

### **Traffic Signs**

Traffic signs and traffic lines were maintained and painted as needed all over the city.

### **Airport**

The airport received a great deal of attention this year with the rehabilitation of the runway ends and shoulders and the clearing of approaches. This was done by the Northern Paving Company of Gorham under the supervision of the Public Works Department, the engineering being done by the city personnel.



The cost of this project was divided 50% Federal, 25% State and 25% City Funds. Total cost of the project, \$24,957.10.

### **Equipment**

New equipment was purchased this year to facilitate painting of our bridges, this included sand blasting and painting equipment.

A new John Deere Tractor with angle blade was also purchased and found very useful and much needed.

### **City Garage**

Our regular crew of two mechanics, one body repair man, one welder, one blacksmith and one carpenter were kept very busy this year maintaining our equipment and buildings.

### **Pipe Plant**

Has not been operated as much this year as in the past because of manpower needed on outside jobs in order to keep up with our much needed street repairs and sewer construction.

### **Snow Removal**

Snow fall during the Spring months of February and March was quite heavy, but Fall Snows, so far, have been light and icing conditions on our streets have been kept to a minimum by the usual use of salt and sand.

### **Glen Avenue**

The proposed straightening of Glen Avenue, surveying and designing is about complete so that if State and Federal Funds are available to match city funds, our Glen Avenue road will get a face lifting before too long. All the engineering on this project has been done by the Public Works Department, for which an outside engineer was hired part time, due to the fact that the State Engineering Department has been so busy they could not handle it themselves, and our own department has also been very busy.

### **Clean-up Week**

Clean-up week was held on the week ending May 6th. Over 600 loads of trash was carried to the dump during this period and the weeks following. This was done while still carrying on our regular garbage collection.

### **Sidewalks**

3,800 feet of sidewalk was constructed during the year and was divided as near as possible between the four wards in the city.

### Surface Drains

Clark Street and Kent Street Surface Drains were started late in the year and has practically slowed to a standstill because of freezing weather and snow removal. This work will be continued as time permits.

### Housing Development

Many housing developments, numbering at least ten, have had a good year. The last count I got was 114 new homes. These developments have been an awful drain on the department manpower and finances and according to the statisticians we should look for a bigger year in 1956.

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## FINANCIAL REPORT

Appropriation .....\$308,409.33

### Summary of Expenses

1. Airport .....	\$ 4.24
3. Blacksmith Shop .....	293.83
5. Cemetery .....	3,421.73
6. Garage .....	70,082.00
8. Incinerating .....	1,685.47
9. Garbage Collection .....	49,802.09
12. Miscellaneous or General.....	3,622.71
13. Office .....	13,052.20
14. Public Buildings .....	3,199.71
16. Snow and Ice Removal.....	61,739.00
17. Traffic Control .....	2,162.96
19. Street Maintenance .....	134,885.23
20. Sewer Maintenance .....	81,167.60
22. Construction and Maintenance Overhead	23,991.89
23. Engineering .....	3,259.18
24. Storehouse PWD .....	3,982.32
26. New Equipment .....	3,946.79
27. Concrete Pipe Plant.....	1,246.07
Miscellaneous and Preventive Maint.....	34,115.00
Total .....	\$495,660.02

Credit for rental on equipment charged to various jobs.....	127,062.80
Total Expenditures .....	<u>\$368,597.22</u>
Other Credits .....	47,900.95
Amount Spent, Less Credits .....	<u>\$320,696.27</u>
Budget Allowance .....	\$308,409.33
Overdraft .....	<u>\$ 12,286.94</u>

In closing, I wish to thank the people of Berlin for their cooperation during the past year. This goes a long way in my being able to carry out the job and make the task a more pleasant one.

Respectfully submitted,

C. J. BRUNGOT,  
Commissioner of Public Works

# Report of Assessors

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To His Honor, the Mayor, and Members of the City Council:  
Gentlemen:

We submit herewith our report for the year ending January 31, 1956 being the fifty-ninth annual report of the City of Berlin.

The following is the inventory of taxable property of the City of Berlin for the year 1955.

Lands and Buildings.....	\$ 10,505,159.00
Electric Plants .....	2,995,000.00
Horses, 35 .....	3,500.00
Cows, 94 .....	9,400.00
Neat Stock, 2.....	200.00
Fowls, 2,677 .....	2,660.00
Construction Machinery .....	44,700.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks.....	57,620.00
Stock in Trade.....	3,542,298.00
Mills and Machinery.....	10,548,905.00
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Total Gross Valuation Before	
Exemptions Allowed .....	\$ 27,709,442.00
Less Soldiers' Exemptions and	
Exemptions to Blind.....	815,860.00
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Net Valuation on Which Tax Rate	
is Computed .....	\$ 26,893,582.00
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Taxes Committed to Collector: Tax Rate \$47.00 per thousand	
Property Taxes .....	\$ 1,263,998.35
Poll Taxes, 7,336 @ \$2.00.....	14,672.00
National Bank Stock Taxes.....	1,306.87
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Total Taxes Committed.....	\$ 1,279,977.22

**Uncommitted to Tax Collector**

1955 Poll Taxes @ \$2.00, 99.....	\$ 198.00
1954 Poll Taxes @ \$2.00, 20.....	40.00
1953 Poll Taxes @ \$2.00, 1.....	2.00
1955 Real and Personal Taxes.....	305.50
1954 Real and Personal Taxes.....	70.50
1955 Yield Taxes.....	281.44

**ABATEMENTS**

<b>Year of Commitment</b>	<b>Poll Tax</b>	<b>Head Tax</b>	<b>Real Estate and Personal</b>
1955.....	\$ 334.00	\$ 770.00	\$ 739.78
1954.....	316.00	1,120.00	49.35
1953.....	176.00	205.00	
1952.....	40.00	65.00	
1951.....	78.00		
1950.....	96.00		
1949.....	496.00		
1948.....	182.00		
1947.....	258.00		
1946.....	540.00		
1945.....	422.00		
1944.....	162.00		
1943.....	56.00		

We wish to express our appreciation for the courtesies and assistance given us during the year by His Honor, the Mayor, City Council and other members of the City Government.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE A. BELL, Chairman

OTIS J. BARTLETT,

FRED G. HAYES, JR.,

Board of Assessors

# Report of Library Trustees

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To His Honor, the Mayor, and City Council of the City of Berlin, New Hampshire.

Gentlemen :

The Board of Trustees of the Berlin Public Library herewith submits its annual report, together with the Treasurer's statement and the Librarian's report.

During 1955, the library purchased 848 new books, and circulated 44,963 volumes.

Again this year we subscribed to 92 magazines and newspapers, and it is a pleasure to see the interest and appreciation, the readers show these periodicals. For the year 3,998 magazines circulated.

A new set of Compton's Encyclopedia was purchased for the Children's Department. This set is proving very useful to the children who come to this department for reference work. Also a set of Groves Dictionary of Music and Musicians was purchased for Adult Department, to replace a worn and outdated set.

A Neighborhood Meeting was held in Berlin, on October 11th, with fifteen Librarians from the North Country, and with Miss Catharine Pratt, Assistant State Librarian, and Mr. Ralph Riley, State Extension Librarian, present. Mr. E. C. Manton, Chairman, opened the meeting with greetings. This was followed by a roll-call, at which time everyone gave brief comments on recent books. The afternoon period was devoted to library aids, and the entire meeting proved to be successful and profitable. The meeting closed with a tea served by the Library Staff.

In November, Miss Laffin held a very successful Book Week. The slogan this year was "Read More Books", and new and colorful books were placed on tables for the children to look at and admire. Also displays with dolls, representing children reading at leisure. Book Week colors were carried out with posters and fliers, featuring Book Week slogans.

The annual visits to this department by the teachers and pupils have proven very encouraging. These visits, usually held in the morning, give the children a chance to look over, handle and choose the book of his or her choice. Over 100 new registrations were taken, and on Saturday all books were released for circulation.

We would like to call attention to the attractive appearance of our Children's Department, which was painted a light blue with darker blue for contrast, and ceiling yellow. This work was done by Rene Bergeron Paint Company, and has added much to the beauty of this department. At the same time our Magazine Room was completely renovated, and with our new fluorescent lights, it is now a delight for the staff to work in this room.

The staff of the Adult Department features many interesting and attractive displays every month of the year, and during the holiday seasons. These displays are highlighted by attractive posters and driftwood arrangements, calling attention to the books displayed.

To Marion K. Steady and Inez N. Hamlin, our faithful substitutes, the Trustees wish to extend their thanks.

In closing, the Trustees wish to thank the entire staff for their courteous, interested and faithful service.

Respectfully submitted,

E. CECIL MANTON,  
Chairman

FLORENCE HICKEY,  
Treasurer

A. E. VALLIERE,  
Secretary

Library Trustees

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Balance, January 31, 1955.....	\$ 606.82
Petty Cash .....	13.00

**Receipts**

City of Berlin.....	\$ 17,700.00
Fines and fees.....	110.00
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	\$ 17,810.00
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	\$ 18,429.82

**Disbursements**

Library salaries .....	\$ 11,330.82
Substitutes .....	280.54
Books .....	2,009.84
Periodicals .....	381.82
Binding .....	177.19
Library supplies .....	279.38
Postage .....	17.11
Janitor service .....	1,018.30
Cleaning supplies .....	89.04
Repairs .....	439.11
Heat .....	719.37
Light .....	625.63
Telephone .....	138.00
Miscellaneous .....	55.20
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	\$ 17,561.35
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Balance .....	\$ 868.47
Petty Cash .....	13.00
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Balance, January 31, 1956, deposited in City National Bank .....	\$ 855.47

Respectfully submitted,

FLORENCE HICKEY,

Treasurer



# LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

## Library Statistics, 1955

	Adult	Juvenile	Total
Fiction .....	21,408	11,663	33,071
General .....	23	1	24
Philosophy .....	169	3	172
Religion .....	209	48	257
Social Science .....	398	224	622
Philology .....	43	11	54
Natural Science .....	358	166	524
Useful Arts .....	758	288	1,046
Fine Arts .....	653	255	908
Literature .....	618	56	674
French .....	72		72
History .....	477	156	633
Travel .....	709	89	798
Biography .....	1,322	788	2,110
Periodicals .....	3,822	176	3,998
Total .....	31,039	13,924	44,963

## Accessions, Registrations, etc.

Number of volumes in Library, January 1, 1955.....	22,857
Number of volumes purchased in 1955.....	848
Gifts to Library.....	27
Books lost and withdrawn.....	479
Total books January 1, 1956.....	23,253
Borrowers' cards in Library, January 1, 1955.....	13,265
New registrations .....	522
Withdrawals .....	150
Total registrations .....	13,306
Books mended .....	203
Out of town registrations.....	30
Number of books borrowed from State Library.....	169

The Trustees and the staff wish to thank the following who have presented gifts of books, magazines and flowers during 1955.

Alladin Company	Larocque, Helen
American Red Cross	Le Journal
Barney, Mrs. M.	Lions Club
Beaudoin, Mrs. V.	Lipton Magazine
Brown, H. T.	Livingston, Mrs. G.
Brown Company	Malcom, Van R.
Chamber of Commerce	Mooney, Mrs. J.
Christian Science Church	Morin, Stella
Churchill, Mrs. W.	Morrison, Cleota
Cross, Mrs. W. B.	Motor Mart
Daughters of Isabella	N. E. Telephone Company
Dupont Company	N. H. Planning Board
Eaton, Henry	N. H. State Library
Ferris, Mrs. B.	Notre Dame Academy
Firestone Rubber Company	Paper City Television Corp.
Ford Foundation	Paquette Motor Sales
General Motors	Parker, Beede
Given, Mrs. T.	Rotarians
Goodno Insurance Company	Rumboid Company
Haggart, Kathleen	St. Patrick's High School
Hamlin, Mrs. M.	Sheridan, Mrs. F. H.
Hamlin, Mrs. O.	Spear, Mrs. H.
Hickey, Mrs. F.	Steady, Mrs. F.
Jacobs, Mrs. N.	Thompson, Mrs. J.
Jaycees	United Brotherhood, Local 75
Kiwanis	Universalist Leader
Knights of Columbus	U. S. Marine Corps
Laffin, John	Villeneuve, Mrs. L.
Lennon, Robert	Vogel, Mrs. Eva
La Pointe, Mrs. G.	

Respectfully submitted,

LOTTIE K. SHERIDAN,

Librarian

# Report of Auditor

## WATER WORKS

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February 11, 1956

To the Board of Water Commissioners  
City of Berlin, New Hampshire

Gentlemen :

I have examined the balance sheet of the Berlin Water Works as at December 31, 1955, and the related statement of income for the year then ended. My examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as I considered necessary in the circumstances, except as follows :

In conformity with prior practice, the earnings for the year include only charges accumulated at the regular billing dates, and unbilled revenue at December 31, 1955 has not been accrued. Also, a check of the 1956 invoice files indicated approximately \$2,718.08 of 1955 invoices which have not been included in accounts payable in this report. As in prior years, the value of insurance premiums unexpired at December 31, 1955 are not included in the balance sheet.

My examination did not include a detailed check of meter readings and service records supporting the billings to customers. I was not present at the taking of the physical inventories of materials and supplies, but I verified the mathematical accuracy of the inventory submitted to me.

In my opinion, subject to the foregoing exceptions, the accompanying balance sheet and statement of income present fairly the financial condition of the Berlin Water Works as at December 31, 1955, and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

LEO J. CAMPAGNA,  
City Auditor

**BERLIN WATER WORKS—EXHIBIT A****Balance Sheet —As at December 31, 1955****Assets****Current Assets**

Office cash fund.....	\$	75.00	..
Cash in bank—Berlin City National Bank....		7,818.84	
Accounts receivable			
Flat Rate .....	\$	86.98	
Metered .....		20.14	
Miscellaneous .....		610.60	
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		717.72	
Materials and supplies.....		18,825.31	
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			\$ 27,436.87

**Fixed Assets**

Land .....	\$	6,034.50	
Godfrey Reservoir .....		69,211.87	
Plant assets (schedule A-1).....	\$	1,232,569.75	
Less—Reserve for depreciation		631,100.57	
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		601,469.18	
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			676,715.55
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			\$704,152.42

**Liabilities and Net Worth****Current Liabilities**

Bonds maturing within one year.....	\$ 30,000.00	
Accrued interest payable on bonds.....	1,593.75	
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**Long-term Debt**

First mortgage bonds, 4¼%, due		
April 1, 1956-60 .....	\$150,000.00	
Less—Bonds maturing within one		
year (above) .....	30,000.00	
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**Net Worth**

Unappropriated surplus		
Balance, January 1, 1955.....	\$452,202.22	
Add—Net income for the year (Exhib. B)	41,874.64	
—Land donated by City of Berlin.....	84.50	
	<hr/>	\$494,161.36
Contributed surplus		
Federal grants for construction—		
prior years .....	58,397.31	
	<hr/>	552,558.67
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		\$704,152.42
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**BERLIN WATER WORKS —SCHEDULE A-1**  
**Plant Assets and Reserves for Depreciation**

Plant Assets	Balance		Additions	Deductions	Balance Dec. 31, 1955
	Dec. 31, 1954				
Water supply structures.....	\$ 86,857.40				\$ 86,857.40
New well ground water supply.....	14,107.06				14,107.06
Water storage structures.....	4,200.00				4,200.00
Filter plant storage tank.....	5,075.05	\$ 3,304.55			8,379.60
Distribution system structures.....	4,404.84				4,404.84
Transmission mains .....	230,701.34				230,701.34
Keene pipe line.....	29,331.77				29,331.77
Ammonoosuc pipe line.....	5,837.37	117.55			5,954.92
Riverside pipe line.....		10,756.27			10,756.27
Distribution mains .....	476,538.35	9,280.97			485,819.32
Services .....	120,885.69	8,521.88			129,407.57
Kent Street pump house.....	2,788.91				2,788.91
Petrograd Street pump house.....	2,438.59				2,438.59
Hillsboro Street pump house.....	2,935.30				2,935.30
Pumps and pumping equipment.....	3,812.88				3,812.88
Purification equipment .....	7,966.97				7,966.97
Filter plant .....	60,066.30				60,066.30
Regulation house and pipe line.....	6,053.97				6,053.97

Coagulation basin .....	41,312.60			41,312.60
Pipe line strainers.....	4,636.78			4,636.78
Filter agitators .....	501.76			501.76
New storehouse.....	37,249.33			37,249.33
Filter plant storehouse.....	1,658.31			1,658.31
Hydrants .....	12,488.00	666.91		13,154.91
Meters .....	14,807.20		\$ 18.00	14,789.20
Shop equipment.....	10,163.21	156.00		10,319.21
General office equipment.....	2,441.41			2,441.41
Trucks and automobiles.....	10,523.23			10,523.23
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	\$ 1,199,783.62	\$ 32,804.13	\$ 18.00	\$ 1,232,569.75
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Reserves for Depreciation.....	\$ 612,708.74	\$ 18,391.83		\$ 631,100.57
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**BERLIN WATER WORKS —EXHIBIT B****Income Statement for the Year Ended December 31, 1955****Operating Income**

## Commercial water

Flat rate ..... \$ 75,886.59

Metered ..... 32,409.43

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\$108,296.02

## Industrial water

Flat rate ..... \$ 1,862.21

Metered ..... 16,293.60

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18,155.81

## Municipal water

Hydrants ..... \$ 8,800.00

Street sprinkling ..... 150.00

Flat rate ..... 101.50

Metered ..... 1,976.80

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11,028.30

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\$137,480.13

## Less—Abatements

To municipal departments, schools,  
churches, etc. .... \$ 13,596.94

To others ..... 56.58

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13,653.52

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\$123,826.61**Operating Expenses (schedule B-1)**

Water supply ..... \$ 18,033.44

Water distribution ..... 16,551.99

General operating expense..... 7,746.10

Administrative and other expense..... 15,162.50

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57,494.03



<b>Income from Operations .....</b>	<b>\$ 66,332.58</b>
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**Other Income**

Fines .....	\$ 58.00
Miscellaneous .....	160.70
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	\$ 218.70
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	\$ 66,551.28

**Other Expense**

Interest on bonds.....	6,693.75
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	\$ 59,857.53
Depreciation .....	\$ 18,391.83
Increase in inventory.....	(408.94)
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	17,982.89
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<b>Net Income .....</b>	<b>\$ 41,874.64</b>
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**BERLIN WATER WORKS —SCHEDULE B-1****Operating Expenses for the Year Ended December 31, 1955****Water Supply**

Gravity supply labor.....	\$ 1,550.67
Gravity supply expense.....	119.47
Purification supplies and expense.....	5,495.19
Ground water supply expense.....	830.86
Filter plant expense.....	1,219.41
Kent Street pump expense.....	538.34
Ramsey Hill pump and booster expense.....	306.17
Hillsboro Street pump expense.....	221.42
Petrograd Street pump expense.....	141.75
Repairs to wood pipe line.....	7,397.61
Cleaning Godfrey reservoir.....	212.55
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	\$ 18,033.44
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**Water Distribution**

Meter supplies and expense.....	\$ 165.05
Repairs to services.....	2,475.22

Repairs to mains.....	3,086.28
Maintenance labor .....	6,595.00
Maintenance expense .....	617.44
Hydrant expense .....	2,015.79
Meter indexing salaries.....	430.17
Thawing expense .....	1,167.04
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	\$ 16,551.99
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**General Operating Expense**

Garage expense .....	\$ 2,914.39
Shop expense .....	1,139.13
Storehouse expense .....	3,031.03
Compressor expense .....	661.55
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	\$ 7,746.10
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**Administrative and Other Expense**

Commissioners' salaries .....	\$ 1,100.00
Superintendence and engineering.....	5,832.00
General office salaries.....	3,479.60
Insurance .....	2,414.98
Accident and sickness plan insurance.....	199.72
Stationery and printing.....	182.36
General office expense.....	162.65
Other general expense.....	1,791.19
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	\$ 15,162.50
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**BERLIN WATER WORKS—EXHIBIT C****Statement of Application of Funds****For the Year Ended December 31, 1955****Working Capital**

December 31, 1954 .....	\$ (1,637.22)
December 31, 1955.....	(4,156.88)
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Decrease in Working Capital.....	\$ 2,519.66
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## Funds Applied

Bond retirement .....	\$ 30,000.00
Net increase of investment in plant assets....	32,786.13

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\$ 62,786.13

## Funds Provided

Net income .....	\$ 41,874.64
Depreciation—not requiring cash funds.....	18,391.83

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60,266.47

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Decrease in Working Capital..... \$ 2,519.66

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## Insurance Coverage—Exhibit D

Type	Coverage
Fire.....	Buildings and contents.....\$ 40,850.00
Explosion.....	Buildings and contents..... 21,650.00
Property floater policy.....	Equipment ..... 5,058.00
Surety bond.....	Ernest E. Tankard..... 10,000.00
Surety bond.....	Antoinette Anctil ..... 5,000.00
Workmen's compensation .....	Statutory
Manufacturers' & contractors' .....	Bodily injury ..... 5/10,000.00
	Property damage ..... 5/25,000.00
Automobile.....	Bodily injury .....20/40,000.00
	Property damage ..... 5,000.00
	Fire and theft.....actual cash value
	Collision .....\$50.00 deductible

# Report of Tax Collector

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Berlin, N. H., January 31, 1956

To His Honor, the Mayor, and Members of the City Council of the City of Berlin.

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report as Tax Collector for the year ended January 31, 1956.

## Summary of Warrant

### Levy of 1955

#### Debits

Taxes committed to Collector:

Property Taxes .....\$ 1,263,998.35

Poll Taxes ..... 14,672.00

National Bank Stock Taxes ..... 1,306.87

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Total Warrant ..... \$ 1,279,977.22

Yield Taxes ..... 281.44

Added Taxes:

Property Taxes ..... 305.50

Poll Taxes ..... 198.00

Interest collected ..... 68.34

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TOTAL DEBITS ..... \$ 1,280,830.50

#### Credits

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes .....\$ 1,225,673.80

Poll Taxes ..... 13,024.00

National Bank Stock Taxes..... 1,306.87

Yield Taxes ..... 281.44

Interest collected ..... 68.34

Discount allowed ..... 93.75

Abatements ..... 1,073.78

Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's list:

Property Taxes ..... 37,796.52

Poll Taxes ..... 1,512.00

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TOTAL CREDITS ..... \$ 1,280,830.50

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**Levy of 1954****Debits**

Uncollected Taxes as of February 1, 1955:

Property Taxes .....	\$ 39,530.04
Poll Taxes .....	2,082.00

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\$ 41,612.04

Added Taxes:

Poll Taxes .....	84.00
Property Taxes .....	141.00

Interest collected during fiscal year ended

January 31, 1956.....	1,232.83
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TOTAL DEBITS .....	\$ 43,069.87
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**Credits**

Remittances to Treasurer during fiscal year ended January 31, 1956:

Property Taxes .....	\$ 39,527.69
Poll Taxes .....	1,190.00
Interest collected during year.....	1,232.83
Abatements made during year.....	365.35

Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's list:

Property Taxes .....	94.00
Poll Taxes .....	660.00

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TOTAL CREDITS .....	\$ 43,069.87
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**Levy of 1953****Debits**

Uncollected Taxes as of February 1, 1955:

Property Taxes .....	\$ 632.15
Poll Taxes .....	830.00

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\$ 1,462.15

Added Taxes: Poll Taxes..... 2.00

Interest collected during fiscal year ended

January 31, 1956.....	22.02
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TOTAL DEBITS.....	\$ 1,486.17
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**Credits**

Remittances to Treasurer during fiscal year ended January 31, 1956:	
Property Taxes .....	\$ 277.11
Poll Taxes .....	84.00
Interest collected during year.....	22.02
Abatements made during year.....	176.00
Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's list:	
Property Taxes .....	355.04
Poll Taxes .....	572.00
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TOTAL CREDITS .....	\$ 1,486.17
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**Levy of 1952**

Uncollected Taxes as of February 1, 1955:	
Poll Taxes .....	\$ 414.00
Amount collected during Fiscal year ended January 31, 1956.....	
January 31, 1956.....	\$ 28.00
Abatements made during year.....	40.00
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Remittances to Treasurer.....	\$ 68.00
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Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's list.....	\$ 346.00
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**Levy of 1951**

Uncollected Taxes as of February 1, 1955:	
Poll Taxes .....	\$ 994.00
Amount collected during Fiscal year ended January 31, 1956.....	
January 31, 1956.....	\$ 24.00
Abatements made during year.....	78.00
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Remittances to Treasurer.....	\$ 102.00
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Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's list.....	\$ 892.00
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**Levy of 1950**

Uncollected Taxes as of February 1, 1955:	
Poll Taxes .....	\$ 1,076.00
Amount collected during Fiscal year ended January 31, 1956.....	
January 31, 1956.....	\$ 20.00

Abatements made during year.....	96.00	
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Remittances to Treasurer.....	\$	116.00
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Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's list.....	\$	960.00
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**Levy of 1949**

Uncollected Taxes as of February 1, 1955:		
Poll Taxes .....	\$	1,180.00
Amount collected during Fiscal year ended		
January 31, 1956.....	\$	12.00
Abatements made during year.....		496.00
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Remittances to Treasurer.....	\$	508.00
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Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's list.....	\$	672.00
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**Levy of 1948**

Uncollected Taxes as of February 1, 1955:		
Poll Taxes .....	\$	1,266.00
Amount collected during Fiscal year ended		
January 31, 1956.....	\$	26.00
Abatements made during year.....		182.00
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Remittances to Treasurer.....	\$	208.00
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Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's list.....	\$	1,058.00
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**Levy of 1947**

Uncollected Taxes as of February 1, 1955:		
Poll Taxes .....	\$	1,090.00
Amount collected during Fiscal year ended		
January 31, 1956.....	\$	12.00
Abatements made during year.....		258.00
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Remittances to Treasurer.....	\$	270.00
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Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's list.....	\$	820.00
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**Levy of 1946**

Uncollected Taxes as of February 1, 1955:

Poll Taxes .....	\$ 1,164.00
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Amount collected during Fiscal year ended

January 31, 1956.....	\$ 14.00
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Abatements made during year.....	540.00
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Remittances to Treasurer.....	\$ 554.00
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Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's list.....	\$ 610.00
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**Levy of 1945**

Uncollected Taxes as of February 1, 1955:

Poll Taxes .....	\$ 3,372.00
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Amount collected during Fiscal year ended

January 31, 1956.....	\$ 25.00
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Abatements made during year.....	1,100.00
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Remittances to Treasurer.....	\$ 1,125.00
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Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's list.....	\$ 2,247.00
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**Levy of 1944**

Uncollected Taxes as of February 1, 1955:

Poll Taxes .....	\$ 2,240.00
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Amount collected during Fiscal year ended

January 31, 1956.....	\$ 20.00
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Abatements made during year.....	405.00
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Remittances to Treasurer.....	\$ 425.00
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Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's list.....	\$ 1,815.00
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**Levy of 1943**

Uncollected Taxes as of February 1, 1955:

Poll Taxes .....	\$ 630.00
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Amount collected during Fiscal year ended

January 31, 1956.....	\$ 74.00
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Abatements made during year.....	56.00	
Remittances to Treasurer.....	\$	130.00
Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's list.....	\$	500.00

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### Summary of Warrant

**STATE HEAD TAX****Levy of 1955****Debits**

State Head Taxes committed to Collector:

Original Warrant .....\$ 47,165.00

Added Taxes ..... 590.00

Total commitment ..... \$ 47,755.00

Penalties collected ..... 205.00

TOTAL DEBITS ..... \$ 47,960.00

**Credits**

Remittances to Treasurer:

Head Taxes .....\$ 41,305.00

Penalties ..... 205.00

\$ 41,510.00

Abatements ..... 770.00

Uncollected Head Taxes as per Collector's list 5,680.00

TOTAL CREDITS ..... \$ 47,960.00

**Levy of 1954****Debits**

Uncollected Taxes as of February 1, 1955.....\$ 6,620.00

Added taxes during 1955..... 170.00

Penalties collected during 1955..... 412.00

TOTAL DEBITS ..... \$ 7,202.00

**Credits**

Remittances to Treasurer during 1955:

Head Taxes .....\$ 4,120.00

Penalties ..... 412.00

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\$ 4,532.00

Abatements during 1955..... 1,120.00

Uncollected Head Taxes as per Collector's list 1,550.00

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**TOTAL CREDITS** ..... \$ 7,202.00

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**Levy of 1953****Debits**

Uncollected Taxes as of February 1, 1955.....\$ 960.00

Added taxes during 1955..... 5.00

Penalties collected during 1955..... 20.00

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**TOTAL DEBITS** ..... \$ 985.00**Credits**

Remittances to Treasurer during 1955:

Head Taxes .....\$ 200.00

Penalties ..... 20.00

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\$ 220.00

Abatements during 1955..... 205.00

Uncollected Head Taxes as per Collector's list 560.00

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**TOTAL CREDITS** ..... \$ 985.00

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**Levy of 1952****Debits**

Uncollected Taxes as of February 1, 1955.....\$ 225.00

Penalties collected during 1955..... 4.50

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**TOTAL DEBITS** ..... \$ 229.50

**Credits**

Remittances to Treasurer during 1955:

Head Taxes .....	\$ 45.00	
Penalties .....	4.50	
		\$ 49.50
Abatements during 1955.....	65.00	
Uncollected Head Taxes as per Collector's list	115.00	
<b>TOTAL CREDITS .....</b>		<b>\$ 229.50</b>

**Summary of Tax Sales Accounts—as of January 31, 1956****Debit**

Tax Sales on account of levies of:

	1954	1953	1952
Taxes sold to City during current fiscal year .....	\$3,287.55		
Balance of unredeemed taxes			
February 1, 1955.....		2,595.50	171.91
Interest collected after sale.....	47.05	156.10	11.91
<b>TOTAL DEBITS .....</b>	<b>\$3,334.60</b>	<b>\$2,751.60</b>	<b>\$ 183.82</b>

**Credit**

Remittances to Treasurer during year	\$2,467.63	\$2,376.70	\$ 154.40
Abatements—during year .....	3.67	0.00	0.00
Deeded to City—during year.....	20.65	20.66	20.66
Unredeemed taxes—at close of year....	842.65	354.24	8.76
<b>TOTAL CREDITS .....</b>	<b>\$3,334.60</b>	<b>\$2,751.60</b>	<b>\$ 183.82</b>

Respectfully submitted,

L. LAURIER ROUSSEAU,

Tax Collector

# Report of Treasurer

## CITY OF BERLIN, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Balance Sheet, January 31, 1956

(General Funds)

### ASSETS

Cash:

Berlin City National Bank.....	\$ 11,745.01
National Shawmut Bank of Boston.....	10,000.00
Soldiers' Bonus Fund.....	339.00
City Clerk's Change Fund.....	100.00
Parks and Playgrounds Petty Cash.....	10.00
Treasurer's Petty Cash .....	15.00

\$ 22,209.01

Taxes Receivable:		Property	Polls	
1943 Levy .....		\$	500.00	\$ 500.00
1944 Levy .....			702.00	702.00
1945 Levy .....			876.00	876.00
1946 Levy .....			610.00	610.00
1947 Levy .....			820.00	820.00
1948 Levy .....			1,058.00	1,058.00
1949 Levy .....			672.00	672.00
1950 Levy .....			960.00	960.00
1951 Levy .....			892.00	892.00
1952 Levy .....			346.00	346.00
1953 Levy .....	\$	355.04	572.00	927.04
1954 Levy .....		94.00	660.00	754.00
1955 Levy .....		37,796.52	1,512.00	39,308.52
		\$ 38,245.56	\$ 10,180.00	48,425.56

1952 Head Taxes.....	\$ 115.00	
1953 Head Taxes.....	560.00	
1954 Head Taxes.....	1,550.00	
1955 Head Taxes.....	5,680.00	
	<hr/>	7,905.00

1944 Special Poll Taxes.....	\$ 1,113.00	
1945 Special Poll Taxes.....	1,371.00	
	<hr/>	2,484.00

## Other Assets:

Accounts Receivable .....	\$ 539.89	
Tax Deeds .....	2,931.43	
Tax Sales .....	1,205.65	
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		\$ 85,700.54
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**LIABILITIES**

## Due State of New Hampshire:

Head Taxes .....	\$ 4,980.00	
Soldiers' Bonus .....	339.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 5,319.00

## Other Liabilities:

Head Tax Fund.....	\$ 7,905.00	
Soldiers' Bonus Fund.....	2,484.00	
	<hr/>	10,389.00

Unappropriated Surplus, February 1, 1955.....\$ 92,203.77

## CITY OF BERLIN, N. H.

## Additions :

## Budget Surplus

Anticipated Rev. \$ 1,397,643.91

Actual Revenue.... 1,413,485.17

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\$ 15,841.26

Appropriations ....\$ 1,397,643.91

Expenditures ..... 1,400,611.90

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(2,967.99)

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12,873.27

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\$105,077.04

## Deductions :

Apportioned Surplus .....\$ 35,000.00

Tax Deed Land Donated to

Berlin Water Works..... 84.50

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35,084.50

Unappropriated Surplus, January 31, 1956

69,992.54

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\$ 85,700.54**BALANCE SHEET—January 31, 1956**

(Special Funds)

**ASSETS**

Bonds (to be paid by future taxes).....\$173,000.00

Parking Meter Fund Cash..... 36,697.10

Public Improvement Fund Cash..... 21,000.00

Withholding Tax Fund Cash..... 7,715.61

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\$238,412.71**LIABILITIES**

Bonds Outstanding .....\$173,000.00

Parking Meter Fund ..... 36,697.10

Public Improvement Fund..... 21,000.00

Withholding Tax Fund..... 7,715.61

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\$238,412.71

**ANALYSIS OF NET CITY DEBT****January 31, 1956**

Bonded Indebtedness .....	\$173,000.00
Unappropriated Surplus .....	69,992.54
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NET CITY DEBT.....	\$103,007.46
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**Decrease of Net City Debt**

Net City Debt, January 31, 1955.....	\$123,796.23
Net City Debt, January 31, 1956.....	103,007.46
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Decrease .....	\$ 20,788.77
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# CITY OF BERLIN, N. H., 1955 REVENUES, JANUARY 31, 1956

	Anticipated	Income	Surplus
Current Tax Levies:			
Real Estate and Personal Property Taxes.....	\$ 1,263,998.35	\$ 1,226,201.83	
National Bank Stock.....	1,306.87	1,306.87	
Poll Taxes .....	14,672.00	13,160.00	
Uncollected Current Taxes.....		39,308.52	
	<u>\$ 1,279,977.22</u>	<u>\$ 1,279,977.22</u>	
Miscellaneous Taxes:			
Interest and Dividend Tax.....	6,107.47	6,107.47	
Railroad Tax .....	4,000.63	4,032.08	31.45
Savings Bank Tax.....	344.26	511.15	166.89
National Forest Land Tax.....	2,770.32	2,794.89	24.57
Reimbursement Growing Wood and Timber.....	1,944.01	1,944.01	
	<u>\$ 15,166.69</u>	<u>\$ 15,389.60</u>	<u>\$ 222.91</u>
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees.....			
Collection Fees .....	60,000.00	71,259.99	
Other Expenses .....		(1,687.50)	
		(327.95)	9,244.54
	<u>\$ 60,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 69,244.54</u>	<u>9,244.54</u>



# CITY OF BERLIN, N. H., 1955 REVENUES, JANUARY 31, 1956

	Anticipated	Income	Surplus
Apportioned Unappropriated Surplus.....	35,000.00	35,000.00	
Other Income .....	7,500.00		
Beano Licenses .....		750.00	
Dog Licenses .....		960.30	
Expenses .....		(225.75)	
Head Taxes (City Share).....		4,915.85	
Interest Income .....		1,538.25	
Junk Licenses .....		160.00	
Milk Licenses.....		154.00	
Municipal Halls .....		197.00	
Restaurant Licenses .....		600.00	
Unbudgeted Income .....		4,202.00	
Uncommitted Taxes .....		616.00	
Weights and Measures.....		465.75	
Expenses .....		(459.59)	6,373.81
	7,500.00	13,873.81	6,373.81
Totals .....	\$ 1,397,643.91	\$ 1,413,485.17	\$ 15,841.26

# CITY OF BERLIN, N. H., APPROPRIATION ACCOUNTS--JANUARY 31, 1956

	Appropriation	Expended	Credits	Unexpended	Overdraft
Airport.....	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 8,879.60	\$ 1,516.89	\$	\$ 362.71
Assessors.....	7,000.00	6,874.73		125.27	
Bonds.....	43,000.00	43,000.00			
Chamber of Commerce.....	500.00	500.00			
City Clerk.....	12,200.00	12,867.77	523.00		144.77
City Hall.....	10,800.00	10,777.25	146.00	168.75	
City Hall Rest Rooms.....	6,000.00	6,229.39	106.21		123.18
City Poor.....	52,000.00	52,844.55	2,746.21	1,901.66	
County Tax.....	130,150.24	130,150.24			
Decoration Day.....	200.00	200.00			
Election Expenses.....	396.30	396.30			
Fire Department.....	130,000.00	134,931.92	5,500.37	568.45	
Group Insurance.....	16,500.00	23,298.42	8,760.85	1,962.43	
Health Department.....	23,000.00	26,087.02	2,288.33		798.69
Insurance.....	10,000.00	9,352.88	312.21	959.33	
Interest on Bonds.....	4,203.75	4,203.75			
Interest Discount Notes Payable.....	6,000.00	4,987.78		1,012.22	
Library.....	17,700.00	17,700.00			

# CITY OF BERLIN, N. H., APPROPRIATION ACCOUNTS—JANUARY 31, 1956

	Appropriation	Expended	Credits	Unexpended	Overdraft
Lighting Streets.....	24,000.00	24,176.01			176.01
Miscellaneous.....	10,000.00	9,016.02	62.00	1,045.98	
Municipal Court.....	2,000.00	3,336.72	1,787.29	450.57	
Overlay.....	7,199.86	6,509.05	687.50	1,378.31	
Parks and Playgrounds.....	30,000.00	31,568.18	336.11		1,232.07
Police Department.....	131,000.00	130,177.21	560.65	1,383.44	
Public Works Department.....	308,409.33	368,597.22	47,900.95		12,286.94
Repairs—Public Buildings.....	1,000.00	680.00		320.00	
Retirement Fund.....	13,500.00	12,589.65		910.35	
Salaries.....	11,860.00	11,894.10			34.10
School.....	356,000.00	391,930.56	35,938.79	8.23	
State Aid.....	7,324.43	7,324.43			
Tax Collector.....	12,500.00	12,455.32	19.45	64.13	
Treasurer.....	5,700.00	5,769.29	.65		68.64
White Mountains Region Association.....	500.00	500.00			
	<u>\$ 1,397,643.91</u>	<u>\$ 1,509,805.36</u>	<u>\$ 109,193.46</u>	<u>\$ 12,259.12</u>	<u>\$ 15,227.11</u>

**CITY OF BERLIN, NEW HAMPSHIRE****Bonded Debt, January 31, 1956**

City of Berlin—2¼% Public Improvement	\$90,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
Bonds issued December 1, 1941; \$6,000 maturing annually to December 1, 1956.		
City of Berlin—2½% Public Improvement	60,000.00	8,000.00
Bonds issued May 1, 1942; \$4,000 maturing annually to May 1, 1957.		
City of Berlin—1⅝% Public Improvement	45,000.00	12,000.00
Bonds issued December 30, 1944; \$3,000 maturing annually to December 30, 1959.		
City of Berlin—1¼% Public Improvement	35,000.00	6,000.00
Bonds issued December 31, 1945; \$2,000 maturing December 31, 1946; \$3,000 maturing annually to December 31, 1957.		
City of Berlin—1¾% Equipment Bonds	55,000.00	15,000.00
issued December 1, 1947; \$5,000 maturing annually to December 1, 1958.		
City of Berlin—2½% Public Improvement	100,000.00	65,000.00
issued April 20, 1948; \$5,000 maturing annually to April 20, 1968.		
City of Berlin—1¾% Public Improvement	60,000.00	36,000.00
issued December 27, 1949; \$4,000 maturing annually to December 27, 1964.		
City of Berlin—1½% Public Improvement	50,000.00	25,000.00
issued December 26, 1950; \$5,000 maturing annually to December 26, 1960.		
Total Indebtedness .....		\$173,000.00

**BOND RETIREMENT**

1956 .....	\$ 35,000.00
1957 .....	29,000.00
1958 .....	22,000.00
1959 .....	17,000.00
1960 .....	14,000.00
1961 .....	9,000.00
1962 .....	9,000.00
1963 .....	9,000.00
1964 .....	9,000.00
1965 .....	5,000.00
1966 .....	5,000.00
1967 .....	5,000.00
1968 .....	5,000.00
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	\$173,000.00

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS DELORGE, JR.,

City Treasurer

# Auditor's Report

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February 28, 1956

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council  
Berlin, New Hampshire  
Gentlemen:

I have examined the balance sheet of the City of Berlin, New Hampshire, as at January 31, 1956, and the related statements of revenue and expenditures for the year then ended. My examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as I considered necessary in the circumstances.

In my opinion, the accompanying financial statements fairly present the financial condition of the City of Berlin as at January 31, 1956, and the results of its operations for the year then ended.

LEO J. CAMPAGNA, City Auditor

## CITY OF BERLIN, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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**CITY OF BERLIN, NEW HAMPSHIRE—EXHIBIT A**  
**General Fund—Balance Sheet as at January 31, 1956**

**Assets**

**Cash**

Berlin City National Bank	
General account .....	\$ 11,745.01
Payroll account .....	-
Soldiers' Bonus account.....	339.00
The National Shawmut Bank of Boston	
General account .....	10,000.00
Petty cash funds.....	125.00
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	\$ 22,209.01

**Receivable on Contract**

Brown Company—airport stumpage.....	539.89
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<b>Taxes Receivable</b> (Schedule A-1).....	58,814.56
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**Other Assets** (Schedule A-2)

Tax deed property.....	\$ 2,931.43
Unredeemed tax sales.....	1,205.65
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	4,137.08
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	\$ 85,700.54
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**Liabilities and Surplus**

**Liabilities**

Due to State of New Hampshire	
Head Taxes .....	\$ 4,980.00
Soldiers' Bonus taxes.....	339.00
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	\$ 5,319.00
Head tax fund .....	7,905.00
Soldiers' bonus tax fund.....	2,484.00
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	\$ 15,708.00

**Surplus**

Unappropriated surplus (Exhibit B).....	69,992.54
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	\$ 85,700.54
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**CITY OF BERLIN, NEW HAMPSHIRE—SCHEDULE A-1****General Fund—Taxes Receivable, January 31, 1956****Property Taxes**

	Balances Jan. 31, '55	Levied	Collected	Abated	Balances Jan. 31, '56
1955		\$ 1,265,305.22	\$ 1,226,768.92	\$ 739.78	\$ 37,796.52
1954	\$ 39,530.04		39,386.69	49.35	94.00
1953	632.15		277.11		355.04
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	\$ 40,162.19	\$ 1,265,305.22	\$ 1,266,432.72	\$ 789.13	\$ 38,245.56

**Poll Taxes**

1955		14,672.00	12,826.00	334.00	1,512.00
1954	2,082.00		1,106.00	316.00	660.00
1953	828.00	2.00(1)	82.00	176.00	572.00
1952	414.00		28.00	40.00	346.00
1951	994.00		24.00	78.00	892.00
1950	1,076.00		20.00	96.00	960.00
1949	1,180.00		12.00	496.00	672.00
1948	1,266.00		26.00	182.00	1,058.00
1947	1,090.00		12.00	258.00	820.00
1946	1,164.00		14.00	540.00	610.00
1945	1,308.00		10.00	422.00	876.00
1944	872.00		8.00	162.00	702.00
1943	630.00		74.00	56.00	500.00
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	\$ 12,904.00	\$ 14,674.00	\$ 14,242.00	\$ 3,156.00	\$ 10,180.00

**Special Poll Taxes**

1945	2,064.00		15.00	678.00	1,371.00
1944	1,368.00		12.00	243.00	1,113.00
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	\$ 3,432.00	-	\$ 27.00	\$ 921.00	\$ 2,484.00

**Head Taxes**

1955		47,960.00(2)	41,510.00	770.00	5,680.00
1954	6,620.00	582.00(3)	4,532.00	1,120.00	1,550.00
1953	960.00	25.00(3)	220.00	205.00	560.00
1952	225.00	4.50(3)	49.50	65.00	115.00
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	\$ 7,805.00	\$ 48,571.50	\$ 46,311.50	\$ 2,160.00	\$ 7,905.00

Taxes Receivable .....\$ 58,814.56

(1) Prior year abatement cancelled

(2) Includes \$795.00 uncommitted taxes and penalties

(3) Uncommitted taxes and penalties



**CITY OF BERLIN, NEW HAMPSHIRE—SCHEDULE A-2****General Fund—Other Assets, January 31, 1956****Tax Deed Property**

Balance, January 31, 1955.....	\$ 3,182.57
Add—Tax deeds purchased.....	89.45
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	\$ 3,272.02

**Deduct**

Receipts on sale of tax deed property.....	\$ 251.00
Loss on sale of tax deed property.....	5.09
Cost of tax deed land donated to Berlin Water Works.....	84.50
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	340.59

Balance, January 31, 1956.....	<hr/> <hr/> \$ 2,931.43
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**Unredeemed Tax Sales**

	<b>Totals</b>	<b>1954</b>	<b>1953</b>	<b>1952</b>
Balances, January 31, 1955	\$2,767.41		\$2,595.50	\$ 171.91
Tax sale .....	3,287.55	\$3,287.55		
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	\$6,054.96	\$3,287.55	\$2,595.50	\$ 171.91
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Redemptions (including property deeded to the City of Berlin).....	4,845.64	2,441.23	2,241.26	163.15
Abatements .....	3.67	3.67		
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	\$4,849.31	\$2,444.90	\$2,241.26	\$ 163.15
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Balances, January 31, 1956	\$1,205.65	\$ 842.65	\$ 354.24	\$ 8.76
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**CITY OF BERLIN, NEW HAMPSHIRE—EXHIBIT B****General Fund****Statement of Surplus For the Year Ended January 31, 1956****Unappropriated Surplus**

Balance, January 31, 1955.....\$ 92,203.77

Add: Net budget surplus

Revenue (Exhibit C)

Anticipated revenue .....\$ 1,397,643.91

Actual revenue ..... 1,413,485.17

\$ 15,841.26

Expenditures (Exhibit D)

Appropriations .....\$ 1,397,643.91

Expenditures ..... 1,400,611.90

(2,967.99)

12,873.27

\$105,077.04

Deduct:

Surplus appropriated for budget.....\$ 35,000.00

Cost of tax deed property donated to

Berlin Water Works..... 84.50

\$ 35,084.50

Balance, January 31, 1956.....\$ 69,992.54

**Statement of Net City Debt—Schedule B-1**

**January 31, 1956**

	Net City Debt		
	Jan. 31 '55	Jan. 31 '56	Decrease
Bonds Outstanding .....	\$216,000.00	\$173,000.00	\$ 43,000.00
Less: Unappropriated surplus....	92,203.77	69,992.54	22,211.23
Net City Debt.....	<u>\$123,796.23</u>	<u>\$103,007.46</u>	<u>\$ 20,788.77</u>

# CITY OF BERLIN, NEW HAMPSHIRE—SCHEDULE B-2

## Bonded Indebtedness—January 31, 1956

Description	Issued	Rate	Balance 1/31/55	Retired 1955	Balance 1/31/56	Due 1956	1957	1958	1959	1960 and Subsequent
Public Improvement	11/ 1/40	1¾%	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000						
Public Improvement	12/ 1/41	2¾%	12,000	6,000	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000				
Public Improvement	5/ 1/42	2½%	12,000	4,000	8,000	4,000	\$ 4,000			
Public Improvement	12/30/43	1¾%	3,000	3,000						
Public Improvement	12/30/44	1½%	15,000	3,000	12,000	3,000	3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	
Public Improvement	12/31/45	1¼%	9,000	3,000	6,000	3,000	3,000			
Equipment	12/ 1/47	1¾%	20,000	5,000	15,000	5,000	5,000	5,000		
Public Improvement	4/20/48	2½%	70,000	5,000	65,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	\$ 45,000
Public Improvement	12/27/49	1¾%	40,000	4,000	36,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	20,000
Public Improvement	12/26/50	1½%	30,000	5,000	25,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
			\$ 216,000	\$ 43,000	\$ 173,000	\$ 35,000	\$ 29,000	\$ 22,000	\$ 17,000	\$ 70,000

# CITY OF BERLIN, NEW HAMPSHIRE—EXHIBIT C

General Fund—Statement of Revenue for the Year ended January 31, 1956

	Anticipated Revenue	Actual Revenue Collected	Not Collected	Revenue Surplus (Deficit)
<b>Current Tax Levies</b>				
Real estate and personal property.....	\$ 1,263,998.35	\$ 1,225,462.05	\$ 37,796.52	
National bank stock.....	1,306.87	1,306.87		
Poll .....	14,672.00	12,826.00	1,512.00	
Abatements .....			1,073.78	
	<u>\$ 1,279,977.22</u>	<u>\$ 1,239,594.92</u>	<u>\$ 40,382.30</u>	
<b>From State of New Hampshire</b>				
Interest and dividends tax.....	6,107.47	6,107.47		
Railroad tax .....	4,000.63	4,032.08		
Savings bank tax.....	344.26	511.15		
National forest land tax.....	2,770.32	2,794.89		
Growing wood and timber.....	1,944.01	1,944.01		
	<u>\$ 15,166.69</u>	<u>\$ 15,389.60</u>		
				<u>\$ 222.91</u>

<b>Motor Vehicle Permit Fees</b> .....	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 69,244.54	\$ 9,244.54
<b>Apportioned Surplus</b> .....	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 35,000.00	
<b>Other Income</b> .....	7,500.00		
Beano licenses.....		750.00	
Dog licenses.....		734.55	
Head taxes—City's share.....		4,915.85	
Interest income.....		1,538.25	
Junk licenses.....		160.00	
Milk licenses.....		154.00	
Municipal halls.....		197.00	
Restaurant licenses.....		600.00	
Unbudgeted income.....		4,202.00	
Uncommitted taxes.....		616.00	
Weights and measures.....		6.16	
	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 13,873.81	\$ 6,373.81
<b>Totals</b> .....	\$ 1,397,643.91	\$ 1,373,102.87	\$ 15,841.26

# CITY OF BERLIN, NEW HAMPSHIRE—EXHIBIT D

## General Fund—Statement of Expenditures for the Year Ended January 31, 1956

	Appropriations	Credits	Expenditures	Unexpended or (Overdrawn)
Airport.....	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 1,516.89	\$ 8,879.60	\$ (362.71)
Assessors.....	7,000.00		6,874.73	125.27
Bonds.....	43,000.00		43,000.00	
Chamber of Commerce.....	500.00		500.00	
City Clerk.....	12,200.00	523.00	12,867.77	(144.77)
City Hall.....	10,800.00	146.00	10,777.25	168.75
City Hall Rest Rooms.....	6,000.00	106.21	6,229.39	(123.18)
City Poor.....	52,000.00	2,746.21	52,844.55	1,901.66
County Tax.....	130,150.24		130,150.24	
Decoration Day.....	200.00		200.00	
Election Expenses.....	396.30		396.30	
Fire Department.....	130,000.00	5,545.37	134,976.92	568.45
Group Insurance.....	16,500.00	8,760.85	23,298.42	1,962.43
Health Department.....	23,000.00	2,288.33	26,087.02	(798.69)
Insurance.....	10,000.00	312.21	9,352.88	959.33

Interest on Bonds .....	4,203.75	4,203.75	
Discount on Notes Payable .....	6,000.00	4,987.78	1,012.22
Library .....	17,700.00	17,700.00	
Lighting Streets .....	24,000.00	24,176.01	(176.01)
Miscellaneous .....	10,000.00	9,016.02	1,045.98
Municipal Court .....	2,000.00	1,787.29	450.57
Overlay .....	7,199.86	687.50	1,378.31
Parks and Playgrounds .....	30,000.00	336.11	(1,232.07)
Police Department .....	131,000.00	560.65	1,383.44
Public Works Department .....	308,409.33	47,900.95	(12,286.94)
Repairs—Public Buildings .....	1,000.00	680.00	320.00
Retirement Fund—Employees .....	13,500.00	12,589.65	910.35
Salaries .....	11,860.00	11,894.10	(34.10)
Schools .....	356,000.00	391,930.56	8.23
State Aid .....	7,324.43	7,324.43	
Tax Collector .....	12,500.00	12,455.32	64.13
Treasurer .....	5,700.00	5,769.29	(68.64)
White Mountains Region Association .....	500.00	500.00	
	<u>\$ 1,397,643.91</u>	<u>\$109,238.46</u>	<u>\$ (2,967.99)</u>

## CITY OF BERLIN, NEW HAMPSHIRE—SCHEDULE D-1

## Library Trustees—Receipts and Disbursements

For the Year Ended January 31, 1956

Cash in bank, January 31, 1955.....	\$	606.82
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## Receipts

City appropriation .....	\$	17,700.00
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Fines and fees.....		110.00
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Income tax withheld.....	\$	1,699.90
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Less: remitted .....		1,699.90
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Insurance withheld .....	\$	120.48
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Less: remitted .....		130.50
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(10.02)

17,799.98

\$ 18,406.80

## Disbursements

Salaries .....	\$	11,577.34
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Books .....		2,009.84
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Periodicals .....		381.82
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Binding .....		177.19
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Supplies and stationery.....		279.38
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Postage, freight, express.....		17.11
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Bank service charges.....		3.46
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Janitor service .....		1,042.30
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Cleaning supplies .....		89.04
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Building repairs and maintenance.....		439.11
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Heat, light, water.....		1,345.00
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Telephone .....		138.00
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Miscellaneous .....		51.74
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17,551.33

Cash in bank, January 31, 1956.....	\$	855.47
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**CITY OF BERLIN, NEW HAMPSHIRE—SCHEDULE D-2****Municipal Court—Receipts and Disbursements****For the Year Ended January 31, 1956**

Cash in bank—bail funds, January 31, 1955.....\$ 400.00

## Receipts

Fines .....\$ 2,785.75

Bail funds ..... 500.00

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\$ 3,285.75

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\$ 3,685.75

## Disbursements

## Fines remitted to

Commissioner of Motor Vehicles .....\$ 879.10

Fish and Game Department..... 22.50

Unemployment Compensation Bureau..... 48.00

Clerk fees ..... 24.00

Special justice fees..... 20.00

Other expense ..... 4.86

Bail refunded ..... 900.00

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1,898.46

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\$ 1,787.29

Remitted to City Treasurer..... 1,787.29

Cash in bank, January 31, 1956.....\$ -

**CITY OF BERLIN, NEW HAMPSHIRE—EXHIBIT E****Treasurer's Report of Receipts and Disbursements****For the Year ended January 31, 1956**

Cash in Banks, January 31, 1955—per prior report . . \$ 98,491.27

## Receipts

## Budget accounts

Departmental credits .....\$ 109,238.46

Less: non-cash credits ..... 1,227.39

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108,011.07

Current taxes ..... 1,239,594.92

Miscellaneous taxes ..... 15,389.60

Motor vehicle permit fees..... 71,259.99

Other income ..... 14,615.95

## Non-budget accounts

Bounties .....	108.00
Growing wood and timber tax.....	934.08
Rehabilitation of airport.....	19,034.89
Tax deeds .....	251.00
Tax sales .....	4,845.64
Property and poll taxes—prior years	41,079.80
Head taxes .....	46,311.50
Special poll taxes.....	27.00
Tax anticipation notes.....	630,000.00
Parking meters .....	19,152.67
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	2,210,616.11
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	\$ 2,309,107.38

## Disbursements

## Budget accounts

Expenditures .....	\$ 1,509,850.36
Less: non-cash charges.....	3,951.89
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	1,505,898.47
Expenses re motor vehicle permit fees	2,015.45
Expenses re other income.....	742.14

## Non-budget accounts

Bounties .....	25.00
Rehabilitation of airport.....	19,034.89
Tax deeds .....	89.45
Tax sales .....	3,287.55
Head taxes remitted to State.....	44,031.65
Head taxes retained by City.....	4,635.85
Tax anticipation notes .....	630,000.00
Parking meters .....	19,565.82
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	2,229,326.27

Balance, January 31, 1956.....	<hr/>	\$ 79,781.11
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## Berlin City National Bank

General account .....	\$ 11,745.01
Payroll account .....	-
Soldiers' bonus account.....	339.00
Parking meter account.....	36,697.10
Public improvement account.....	21,000.00

## The National Shawmut Bank of Boston

General account .....	10,000.00
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	\$ 79,781.11
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**CITY OF BERLIN, NEW HAMPSHIRE—EXHIBIT F****Other Funds—Balance Sheets as at January 31, 1956****Parking Meter Fund****Assets**

Cash—Berlin City National Bank .....	\$ 36,697.10
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**Surplus**

Balance, January 31, 1955.....	\$ 37,110.25
Net Income (Loss) (Exhibit G).....	(413.15)
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Balance, January 31, 1956.....	\$ 36,697.10
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**Public Improvement Fund****Assets**

Cash—Berlin City National Bank.....	\$ 21,000.00
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**Surplus**

Apportioned from General Fund Surplus, 1954.....	\$ 21,000.00
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**CITY OF BERLIN, NEW HAMPSHIRE—EXHIBIT G****Other Funds—Statement of Income and Expense****For the Year Ended January 31, 1956****Parking Meter Fund****Income**

Meter Collections .....	\$ 17,968.82
Fines .....	1,183.85
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\$ 19,152.67

**Expenses**

Replacement and repairs—meters.....	\$ 1,047.80
Bank charges for handling coin.....	360.00
Supplies .....	105.27
Municipal parking lot	
Electricity .....	460.49
Reimbursement for taxes .....	282.00
Meter cleaning machine.....	290.41
Other expense .....	19.85
Transferred to P. W. D. for tarring streets	17,000.00
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	19,565.82

<b>Net Income (Loss)</b> .....	<b>\$ (413.15)</b>
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**Statement of Cemetery Trust Funds as at January 31, 1956**

	Total Trust 1-31-55	Receipts	Dis- bursements	Unexpended Income 1-31-56	Principal Balance 1-31-56
Adelson, Nellie	\$ 103.35	\$ 2.85		\$ 6.20	\$ 100.00
Andresen, Thorval	304.50	9.20		13.70	300.00
Angelowitz,					
Moses and Sophia	208.86	5.76	\$ 5.00	9.62	200.00
Betz, Dorothea K. ....	217.90	6.01		23.91	200.00
Carroll, George H. ....	105.07	2.90		7.97	100.00
Cobb, Dr. J. J. ....	160.32	4.29	5.00	9.61	150.00
Cole, E. B. ....	218.56	5.76	10.00	14.32	200.00
Clarke, Susan N. ....	210.87	5.54	10.00	6.41	200.00
Kent, George E., Etta	348.22	9.63		57.85	300.00
Levy, May W. ....	213.70	5.90	5.00	14.60	200.00
Marx, Phil .....	513.83	15.31	15.00	14.14	500.00
Morris, Marie E. ....	411.75	11.38		23.13	400.00
Murray, Margaret ....	566.70	15.39	10.00	72.09	500.00
Murray, Philip, Ralph	324.93	8.97		33.90	300.00
Salomon, Charles J. ....	521.64	14.42	5.00	31.06	500.00
Schonaver, Leopold ....	312.16	8.64	5.00	15.80	300.00
Stahl, A. M., Hyman	2,064.49	57.15	10.00	111.64	2,000.00
Sulloway, Bessie M. ....	325.77	8.72	10.00	24.49	300.00
Thayer, Ira W. ....	559.36	15.48		74.84	500.00
Uhlschoeffe, Esther	215.80	5.68	10.00	11.48	200.00
Vachon, Zoe .....	111.74	2.94	10.00	4.68	100.00
Wagner, Joseph A. ....	524.61	14.51	5.00	34.12	500.00
Walters, A. W. ....	396.37	10.68	10.00	47.05	350.00
Totals	<hr/> \$8,940.50	<hr/> \$ 247.11	<hr/> \$ 125.00	<hr/> \$ 662.61	<hr/> \$8,400.00

## New funds

Wheeler, Harry ..	200.00	5.03		5.03	200.00
Teare, Lenora .....	100.00	2.51		2.51	100.00
Tondreau, Alfred ..	300.00	.88	.25	.63	300.00
Bergeron, Victor J.	400.00	6.00		6.00	400.00
Langis, Arthur .....	300.00	2.25		2.25	300.00
Snow, George .....	300.00	.75		.75	300.00
Wight, J. Howard	300.00	8.31		8.31	300.00
	<u>\$10,840.50</u>	<u>\$ 272.84</u>	<u>\$ 125.25</u>	<u>\$ 688.09</u>	<u>\$10,300.00</u>

## CITY OF BERLIN, NEW HAMPSHIRE

## List of Surety Bonds

	Term Beginning	Amount
Tax Collector's Office		
L. Laurier Rousseau, Collector.....	July 6, 1955	\$ 39,800.00
Graziella Rousseau, Clerk.....	April 1, 1955	1,500.00
Gertrude Routhier, Clerk.....	April 1, 1955	1,000.00
Treasurer's Office		
Louis Delorge, Jr., Treasurer.....	April 1, 1955	30,000.00
Donald McKay, Assistant to Treasurer	April 1, 1955	5,000.00
City Clerk's Office		
James E. Cryans, City Clerk.....	July 7, 1955	3,000.00
Cemetery Trustees		
Channing Evans, Trustee.....	April 1, 1955	1,500.00
Michael I. Murphy, Trustee.....	April 1, 1955	1,500.00
J. Murray Hamilton, Trustee.....	April 1, 1955	1,500.00
Fire Department		
Oscar B. Bergquist, Chief.....	continuing	5,000.00

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